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PETROL PRICE CROSSES ₹100/LTR IN RAJASTHAN

At ₹100.13, a litre of petrol was at its costliest in Sriganganagar town of the western state. In Madhya Pradesh, the rate is ₹99.90

60% OF THE RETAIL COST IS GOVT TAXES

The all-time high price comes weeks after the state slashed 2% VAT on fuel. Still, at 36% after the rate cut, Rajasthan's levy is the highest in India. Diesel in Sriganganagar is at ₹92.13. Central and state taxes make up for as much as 60% of the retail price of petrol and over 54% of diesel. The Centre levies ₹32.90 a litre as excise duty on petrol | P13

MODI BLAMES PREDECESSORS FOR SPIKE

- Petrol rates have risen by ₹19.95 a litre since mid-March '20, after Centre hiked levy to benefit from the fall in international prices
- PM Modi said if previous regimes had focused on reducing India's energy dependence, global fluctuations wouldn't have hurt the middle-class. India imported 85% of fuel in the last financial year

₹92.54

PETROL PRICE IN BENGALURU. IN MUMBAI, IT'S ₹96, DELHI ₹89.54, KOLKATA ₹90.78

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FIR says toolkit part of plot to damage India

No names of accused in it; Nikita Jacob gets three-week advance bail from HC

GAYATHRI MANI AND SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @New Delhi/Mumbai

AN accidentally-leaked toolkit Google doc was not just meant to amplify the ongoing farmers protest, it also contained a detailed plan to wage an economic, social, cultural and regional war against India, if one were to go by the first information report (FIR) the Delhi Police filed on February 4.

The FIR does not name any of the accused, including activists Disha Ravi, Shantanu Muluk and Nikita Jacob, but Disha's arrest and the subsequent actions are on its basis. Disha's advocate got access to the FIR on Wednesday.

Four sections of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) — 123A, 153, 153A and 120B — pertaining to sedition, criminal conspiracy and creating disharmony or enmity between different groups religious, regional and social groups, have been invoked in the FIR.

The toolkit inadvertantly shared by Swedish climate activist Greta Thunberg on February 3 is at the centre of the raging controversy.

"A perusal of the said document (toolkit) reveals that it was promoting campaign material by Poetic Justice Foundation (PJF), a Canada-based organization that openly and deliberately shared posts on social media to create disharmony and enmity, hatred and ill-will among different religious, cultural and regional groups," the FIR states.

It claims the January 26 violence was part of a pre-planned conspiracy of the PJF.

In the toolkit, "There a call for economic warfare against India and certain Indian companies. Their assets in India and outside are to be made targets for physical as well as coordinated actions.... The documents specifically mentions targeting certain regions of India to instigate enmity and divide. Further, detailed plans have been made by conspirators to instigate certain communities against one another," the FIR alleged.

'Pre-planned plot'

"It is evident from the contents of the said toolkit that the violence that took place at the streets of Delhi on 26th January 2021 near ITO, at the Red Fort, near Nangloi, etc., as a result of the farmers' protest was a pre-planned conspiracy meant to undermine India's sovereignty and integrity, security of the state and public order," the FIR said

Meanwhile, Mumbai-based advocate Nikita Jacob was given three-week transit anticipatory bail by the Bombay High Court on Wednesday.

While passing the bail order, Justice P D Naik cited the Aurangabad bench order that gave advance bail to another accused Shantanu Muluk the previous day, adding: "It would not be appropriate to make any observations on the merits of the case."

The Delhi Police claim that Disha Ravi and Nikita Jacob were editors of the toolkit created by Shantanu Muluk.

NEET seat scam: I-T raids on med colleges in K'taka

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru /Mangaluru /Tumakuru /Davanagere

IN a major drive against widespread National Entrance Eligibility and Entrance Test (NEET) seat allocation scam, the Directorate of Income Tax (Investigation), Karnataka & Goa on Wednesday conducted search operations at several medical colleges in Bengaluru, Mangaluru, Tumakuru and Davanagere and the premises of their owners, and reportedly seized Rs 18 crore in cash and 60 kg gold.

Explaining the modus operandi adopted by the colleges, sources, who are in the know of the scam, said that the medical colleges put up a "dummy candidate to block the seat for NEET. Once the admissions are over, the seat thus blocked is vacated and auctioned to the highest bidder. The price of a seat in a private medical college is upwards of Rs 1 crore. The fees is collected in cash and so it is not shown as taxable income," said the sources. "This has been going on for the past four to five years," they added.

The institutions colleges that were reportedly searched included BGS, East Point, Akash and Sapthagiri medical colleges in Bengaluru, Sridevi, Kanachur, Yenepoya, Sridevi, AJ Shetty and Srinivasa medical colleges in Mangaluru, Sridevi Group of Institutions in Tumakuru and JJM Medical College, SSIMS and Bapuji Dental Colleges in Davangere.

In Mangaluru, the I-T raids were carried out on the premises of the four colleges and the owners of AJ Shetty Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre, Yenepoya Medical College in Deralakatte, Kanachur Institute of Medical Sciences, Natekal, and Srinivas Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre, Mukka, said IT department sources.

Sources said that the tax officials had arrived in Mangaluru on Tuesday and had booked rental vehicles under the guise of attending an inter-state football tourney in Kerala. P7

A STARRY NIGHT

Former AICC president Rahul Gandhi, AICC general secretaries Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and K C Venugopal attend the wedding reception of Aisshwarya, daughter of KPCC president D K Shivakumar, and Amartya Hegde, son of Cafe Coffee Day founder late V G Siddhartha and grandson of BJP leader SM Krishna, in Bengaluru on Wednesday | EXPRESS | P4

Oppn should not create confusion on Ram Temple donation, says CM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Shivamogga

CHIEF Minister B S Yediyurappa on Wednesday cautioned opposition leaders against creating 'unnecessary confusion' over the collection of donation for the construction of Ram Temple at Ayodhya. He warned them that it would lead to contempt of court if the leaders continue to give statements against the temple construction.

Yediyurappa's statement follows recent remarks by Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah that he will not donate for Ram Temple at Ayodhya, but will part with his money if it is built elsewhere and JDS leader H D Kumaraswamy's comment that those not donating money for the temple were being profiled by the RSS.

CM B S Yediyurappa reads *The New Indian Express*, in Shivamogga on Wednesday | SHIMOGA NANDAN

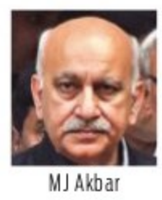
At a foundation-laying ceremony at Machenahalli, near here, Yediyurappa told opposition leaders that it is acceptable if someone does not want to donate for the Ram Temple. "But I would like to tell opposition leaders not to create any confusion over the collection of funds. Those criticising must understand that Hindus, Muslims and Christians are donating," he said.

Delhi court chucks Akbar's defamation suit against Ramani

KANU SARDA @ New Delhi

STRESSING that women cannot be punished for raising their voice against sexual abuse, a Delhi court on Wednesday acquitted journalist Priya Ramani in a defamation suit filed by former Union minister M J Akbar contesting her allegations of sexual harassment by him in the past.

Priya Ramani



MJ Akbar

Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Ravindra Kumar Pandey said, "The right of reputation cannot be protected at the cost of the right of life and dignity of woman as guaranteed in Indian Constitution under Article 21 and right of equality before law and equal protection of law as guaranteed under Article 14 of the Constitution."

The court accepted Ramani's contention that Akbar wasn't a man of stellar reputation. In its 91-page verdict, the court said, "It cannot be ignored that most of the time, the offence of sexual harassment and sexual abuse (was) committed in the close doors or privately. Sometimes the victims herself does not understand what is happening to them or what is happening to them is wrong. Despite how well respected some persons are in the society, they in their personal lives, could show extreme cruelty to females."

The court took note of the systematic abuse at the workplace due to lack of grievance redressal mechanisms at the time Priya Ramani and witness Ghazala Wahab were allegedly sexually harassed.

"Time has come for society to understand sexual abuse and harassment and its implications on the victim," the court said, adding most women do not speak about it because of social stigma.

"This judgment is a validation of the stand taken by us and all women during the #Metoo campaign," Ramani's lawyer Rebecca John later said. Ramani had in 2018 made allegations of sexual harassment against Akbar in wake of the #MeToo movement. P9

RICH HARVEST

Cong sweeps Punjab civic polls; blow to BJP, AAP

HARPREET BAJWA @Chandigarh

AS expected, the ruling Congress swept the civic polls in Punjab held in the backdrop of a prolonged farmers' protests being supported by it.

The Shiromani Akali Dal came a distant second and the BJP came last, with the main opposition AAP faring well below its expectations. The civic polls were held barely a year ahead of the Assembly polls.

The Congress swept seven municipal corporations in the state as it bagged Hoshiarpur, Kapurthala, Abohar, Pathankot, Batala, Moga and Bathinda. It was after decades that the party wrested the Bathinda civic body from the Akali Dal. The results of Mohali Municipal Corporation will be declared on Thursday.

Bathinda Lok Sabha constituency is represented by former Union minister Harsimrat Badal of SAD, which broke off from the NDA last year over the new farm laws.

Punjab CM Capt Amarinder Singh said the victory was due to its "progressive policies".

DCs given power, adoption bottlenecks eased

SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet chaired by PM Narendra Modi on Wednesday approved a key change in the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 to authorise deputy commissioners/district magistrates to validate adoptions.

The decision is meant to address the rather slow in-country adoptions in India, as hundreds of prospective parents are forced to wait for years to adopt orphaned or abandoned children. As of now, prospective adoptive parents are required to go to civil or family courts to get the final go-ahead after all formalities are over.

However, with pendency high in civil and family courts, it is not easy to get a date for hearing, said officials in the Central Adoption Resource Agency.

Government figures show that 2,160 adoptions took place in 2020-21, but officials said about 1,000 adoption cases are pending in courts at any given time. "Though the JJ law mandates that courts have to dispose of adoption cases within two months from the date of filing of application, it rarely happens," said an official. "The latest amendment will clear these hindrances."

As per the norms, orphaned and abandoned children are required to be declared legally free for adoption within two months in the case of a child up to the age of two years and within four months in case of a child above the age of two years, after following due procedure. Further, surrendered children are required to be declared legally free for adoption after two months from surrender date.

EXPRESS READ

Tsitsipas stuns Nadal in five-set thriller

Stefanos Tsitsipas came back from two sets down to beat Rafael Nadal in the quarterfinal of the Australian Open. The five setter scoreline read 3-6, 2-6, 7-6 (4), 6-4, 7-5 | AFP | P15

Woman gangraped, murdered in Mysuru

Mysuru: A destitute woman was raped and murdered by five men in the heart of Mysuru early on Tuesday morning. The woman, 45, was sleeping on a stone bench when the five men sexually assaulted her and strangled her to death, states the FIR registered on Wednesday. All the five accused have been arrested. The incident was captured on CCTV cameras at the spot. P7

Bengaluru job market opens up for freshers

PEARL MARIA D'SOUZA @Bengaluru

OVER 15 per cent of all employers across the country intend to hire freshers from February to April 2021, and Bengaluru happens to be a top employer, reveals a study by a private edutech firm. Other cities that offer good employment opportunities are Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai and Hyderabad.

Information technology, telecommunication, e-commerce and technology startups are the top three sectors hiring. Roles such as web and mobile app development are high in demand across sectors.

Meanwhile, travel and hospitality sectors are still impacted by the Covid pandemic and may have only minimal job opportunities for freshers at present.

The Career Outlook Report that ran an analysis of 815 employers across 18 sectors and 14 cities, estimates 24 per cent hiring intent for freshers. The same estimate before the pandemic struck was 51 per cent, but is still better than the 12-18 per cent hiring intent during the lockdown and unlock phases.

The most ideal courses freshers can look at to improve their employability are automation, software development and graphic designing, it stated. CONTINUED ON: P2

CHEW ON IT

It's 'chicken feed' at Mysuru zoo... tigers turn lazy

A tiger lazes around inside its enclosure in Mysuru Zoo | EXPRESS

AJITH MS @Mysuru

CARNIVORES are the most active and ferocious creatures, but at the Mysuru zoo, they have turned lazy and inactive because of the recent change in their diet to only chicken.

All zoos under the Karnataka Zoo Authority (KZA), including the famous Mysuru zoo, switched to chicken by January-end as the State Government had pushed beef ban through an ordinance.

Karnataka has the highest number of zoos in the country and the Mysuru zoo has a host of carnivores, including exotic cats like cheetahs, white tigers, jaguars along with over a dozen Royal Bengal tigers, two dozen leopards as well as wolves and foxes.

Before switching over chicken, the zoo used to procure 350 kg of beef a day to feed the carnivores. Now with the diet switch, the animals have become less active and tend to relax for more hours than the usual long hours that carnivores, especially big cats, rest for, zoo sources said. The authorities tried mutton as an alternative, but as the carnivores refused to eat even small quantities, they had to opt for farm chicken.

Under the new anti-cow slaughter law, buffalo meat is allowed, but it is not available in large enough quantities. Since the cost of country chicken is on the higher side, the zoos are dependent on farm poultry.

The authorities said that except for birds like vultures all other carnivores have shown reduced activity. "To an extent, leopards are not that inactive. But even foxes and hyenas, which move about more than big cats, are showing lesser activity," said the sources.

When beef was on the menu, big cats would leave 3 kg of bones from an average of 14 kg fed to them, but when 8 kg of chicken is being given, they are leaving behind 2 kg of bones. The zoo staff is worried about the effects of prolonged diet of chicken on carnivores.

KZA Member Secretary B P Ravi said that they are waiting for an exemption from the government to supply beef to zoos.

Animal Husbandry Minister Prabhu Chauhan said they have not received complaints on scarcity of food at zoos. He said they will take action if authorities give details.

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Thursday: 18/02/2021 • Year: Sarvari • Ayana: Uttharayana
Ritu: Sishira • Masa: Magha • Paksha: Shukla • Tithi: Saptami (Whole Day)
Nakshatra: Bharani 1:11 am • Moon in Virshabha Rashi • Rahukaala: 01:30 pm to 03:00 pm
Gulikakala: 09:00 am to 10:30 am • Yamaganda: 03:00 am to 04:30 am

WEATHER
MIN 17°C | MAX 29°C
FORECAST
Morning clouds

Sunrise 6.41 am
Sunset 6.26 pm
Moonrise 10.59 am
Moonset 11.48 pm

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Citizens win round, govt to give Tree Park a rethink

Minister to discuss move with tree committee, CM, before final nod

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FOLLOWING intense pressure from the public, Forest Minister Arvind Limbavali on Wednesday told local residents protesting against a tree park Turahalli forests that the project at the planned site has been temporarily stayed.

He, however, did not commit to halt the work permanently. He said that he will discuss the issue with the tree committee, forest department and chief minister before taking the final decision.

He tried to convince the citizens on creating a mega tree park in Turahalli forests apart from the 35-acre one that already exists. But citizens refused to accept the proposal. Succumbing to pressure, Limbavali, who was accompanied by MLA S T Somashekhar, said, "If people do not want the tree park it would be shifted elsewhere in the same constituency. However the final decision will be taken after discussing it with the CM." He was also unable to commit to a date to the citizens as to when the final decision will be taken.

The residents, however, were delighted and said that it is the start of public victory. Over the last three weeks, they have organised many protests, walks, signature campaigns and submitted petitions to the Prime Minister, Chief Minister and Karnataka Forest Department. They said, "No forests in Bengaluru be converted into tree parks. They be well protected and tree parks be created on revenue lands, which Bengaluru needs."

"Since the minister has committed to temporarily halt the works and said the government will work with the people, we will keep a close watch now. He said that he will discuss with the government once more before taking the final decision. This means it is not yet permanent," said Abdul Aleem, a member of Changemakers of Kanakapura.

The locals residing around Turahalli minor and reserve forests submitted a memorandum to Limbavali. The list included -- no new mega tree park in Turahalli, increased security in the forest patches by strengthening the perimeter and with proper fencing, have more guards and CCTVs, involve local community, consult public for any major works in Turahalli, improve the existing tree park, develop parks around Turahalli for public, increase and improve water bodies in a natural way in Turahalli forests, increase biodiversity by afforestation with mixed species, control the spread of invasive species, conduct periodic census of flora and fauna and publish the report and remove encroachments in and around the forest patches.

Caught on the backfoot, the government has temporarily stopped work on the tree park at Turahalli, and has deferred a final decision | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

MOBILE SOLUTIONS

As retail businesses go online, an auto-turned-mobile store gets a warm reception from Bengaluru residents who may not be able to go to log in to a virtual marketplace | MEGHANA SASTRY

Gold bars worth over Rs 11 lakh found in toy ball abandoned on plane

S LALITHA @Bengaluru

CUSTOMS officials of Kempegowda International Airport found gold bars concealed inside a small toy ball abandoned in an aircraft early on Wednesday. The gold recovered weighed 233.28 grams and is worth Rs 11,30,241, said an airport source. The toy was found on an Indigo flight from Dubai, which reached KIA at 11.44 pm on Tuesday. "The toy was found during the routine rummaging of the plane. There were no claimants for the gold," the source added.

"Rummaging is done for international flights to ensure the flight is not used as a point for smuggling. Some international flights are converted to domestic ones and miscreants hatch a plot to pick up items left behind by previous passengers on planes," the source said.

Live bullet found on passenger

The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) held a passenger for carrying a live bullet in his hand baggage at KIA on Wednesday. Anil Kumar, a native of Bihar, was scheduled to depart for Varanasi by an IndiGo flight at 5.20 pm. "The passenger was being checked around 3.35 pm. When the hand baggage was scanned, a suspicious image came up. On physical checking, one 7.65mm live bullet was found in his hand baggage," an official said. Kumar failed to produce any valid documents or licence for the ammunition. The bullet and the passenger have been handed over to airport police, the official added.

Freshers need to upskill, says report

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"MOST sought-out job profiles for freshers require additional learning, and freshers need to constantly invest in upskilling and staying ahead of the curve... not just home domain skills, but also soft and niche skills," said Neeti Sharma, co-founder and president, TeamLease EdTech.

Employers expect freshers to be equipped with domain skills, like product/service advertising, data analytics, web/mobile app development and spreadsheet skills, the study found.

Soft skills like reasoning, analytical thinking, complex problem solving, active learning and critical reasoning are also expected.

"For February-April 2021, fresher hiring intent has improved by 2.5 times from the lockdown period and as the economy opens up, is expected to go up further. Of the 90 job roles in popular demand that corporates are looking at hiring freshers, more than 65 per cent require specialised skills. HEIs (higher education institutes) can use the report to tweak their curriculum to suit the needs and demands of the industry," said Shantanu Rooj, founder and CEO, TeamLease EdTech.

TRACKING PROGRESS

Bengaluru a cycle-friendly city? Citizens not convinced

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

IT is time for the state government to buck up, if it wants Bengaluru to continue to secure a place as a cycle-friendly city.

The need to pace up the Smart City works in Bengaluru rises, after the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs released its first list of Cycles for Change Challenge Report, where Bengaluru is among the top 25 bicycle-friendly cities of 100 smart cities in the IndiaCycles4Change-Challenge.

Rajendra Cholan, Managing Director, Bengaluru Smart City Limited, told TNIE that Bengaluru has featured in the list, based on a proposal Smart City, the Directorate of Urban Land Transport and BBMP had sent to the Centre. The proposal listed nine roads. "Now we have to show progress and implementation on time. Based on the proposal, they will review the progress and then the second round results will be announced. It is a part of the Smart City project," he said.

A senior BBMP official said the proposal was sent in December. "If the government examines the proposal now based on the City's road conditions, it will fail. Bengaluru was able to feature in the list because of cycling expeditions held from June to November and the construction works which had started despite the pandemic. But now roads are not commuter-friendly, forget pedestrian- and cycling-friendly."

Citizens are not convinced of the ranking. They demand that the government list the roads where cycling can be done without any risk. "The identified cycle lanes have been dug open in CBD areas. They are not connected to each other and no roads have dedicated cycle lanes," said Tushar K, a cyclist.

BBMP Administrator Gaurav Gupta said any kind of shortlist and ranking of Bengaluru is good news. "Cycle-friendly city is a great step forward and we want to see cycling being taken as an alternative mode of transport and not just on select days. Now cycle days, cycle lanes and car-free days need to be promoted to get people to cycle. People are also becoming more environment-friendly and are keen to cycle, so adequate spaces need to be provided," he said.

8K lecturers to be hired

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THERE is a need to recruit 8,000 permanent high-quality teachers, as there is no concept of guest lecturers in the implementation of the National Education Policy, Higher Education Minister and DyCM Ashwath Narayan said in Mysuru on Wednesday.

He said he had appealed to Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa to fulfil this request during the pre-budget meeting and had also sought a grant of 3.5% of the total budget; thus far, only 2% of the budget was earmarked for higher education.

Guest lecturers who were working in the previous academic year will continue this year too, he said. They have demanded a pay raise and regularisation of jobs, and their demands are being scrutinised, he added.

Government colleges should receive NAAC recognition, and work towards financial and academic autonomy, and get good results, he said, adding that measures are being taken to improve the quality of teaching.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

18th February: Space is a strange place. If you're like me, then you were taught at school that it is 'empty'. Nothing could be further from the truth. It's jammed with all sorts of things from particles of light to a mysterious substance called dark matter. We've never seen it, but we believe it's there all the same!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)
If important discussions are underway, or if travel plans are being considered, the current planetary alignment is urging you to seize the initiative and prove that you are not afraid to take on people and institutions which have had you on the run for so long. Also, it's a fine moment to make amends for past failures - or pluck up the courage to say you're sorry!

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Once again, you have the chance to make up your mind. Don't allow others to influence your judgment. Your most precious possession at the moment is your ability to take decisions which are both logically and instinctively correct, no matter what other people say.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Mercury, planet of wit and wisdom, is suggesting that you feel the need to get to grips with profound deep psychological questions. You are becoming more familiar with the deep motivations that direct your daily affairs. Gradually, you're more and more aware of influences you never dreamt existed.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Mars is an excitable planet, and its presence reveals that there might have been an almighty bust-up recently. Perhaps you were called upon to restore order, and you should soon find yourself back in favour with people whose opinion of you matters a great deal. Still, when the chips are down, you have no choice but to stand up for yourself.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Challenging planetary aspects recently have fired your imagination and made it plain that there's only one person who can guarantee your success, and that's you. Now you have one last chance to retake an important decision. Don't waste your time on people who seem to be standing in your way.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
It seems that you may well have been sacrificing your resources defending something which is no longer viable, or at least which has no more to contribute to your personal success. You must now consider the advantages of making a fresh start.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Happily, business and professional affairs dovetail nicely, and you'd be strongly advised to follow hunches and listen to your intuition. Ideas of romance are also in the air, adding a lighter touch to the day's events, and a secret flirtation is now a very real possibility.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
In financial matters you must listen to partners carefully, as their ideas are proving more inspiring with each day that passes. Yet don't allow yourself to be led astray by those who are intent on exploiting your good nature or foisting their responsibilities onto your shoulders.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Under Mars' alignment with a money-minded sector of your horoscope, financial enterprises are still likely to be the subject of some stiff negotiations. You'll be surprisingly business-like, and your new-found strength of confidence may catch partners off guard.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
Important personal decisions are looming and tricky decisions will have to be taken quite soon. You are now in the closing phase of a long-term emotional transformation, one which has seen you link up with important new people. Plus, you're about to receive the recognition you deserve at work.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
Today's events may come close to calling your broader ambitions and long-term objectives into question. The results will be positive if you manage to focus on what is important, make a clean break with the past - and set off on a new course of action.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Perhaps you should now look ahead to the weekend and plan carefully. The next few days will bring exciting events which affect your financial future. Cash transactions should be treated with caution, so please seek out a second opinion if you wish to make a profit.

THE PHANTOM

HI AND LOIS

I DID ALL MY CHRISTMAS SHOPPING ONLINE.
BUT I STILL COME HERE TO WALK EVERY DAY.
CLOSED
THAT'S WHY HALF THE STORES HAVE GONE OUT OF BUSINESS.
BUSINESS
12-19

BEETLE BAILEY

BLONDIE

DEAR, DO YOU REALIZE THAT YOU LEAVE YOUR WET TOWEL ON THE BATHROOM DOORKNOB AFTER EVERY SHOWER?
I'M SORRY, HONEY. I GUESS IT'S JUST A BAD HABIT
YOU NEED A NEW HABIT, DEAR
SAY, DO YOU EVER LEAVE YOUR WET TOWEL ON THE DOORKNOB AFTER YOU SHOWER?
ARE YOU KIDDING? THAT'S MY FAVORITE HABIT

LOCKHORNS

DENNIS THE MENACE

Test your number crunching skill with our unique puzzle

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MEDIUM

- Fill in the grid with digits in such a manner that every row, every column and every 3X3 box accommodates the digits 1 to 9, without repeating any.
- Each sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

3	6	5	9	7	8	2	4	1
7	1	4	3	2	5	9	6	8
2	8	9	6	4	1	5	3	7
4	7	6	8	5	2	3	1	9
8	2	3	7	1	9	6	5	4
9	5	1	4	3	6	7	8	2
6	4	7	2	8	3	1	9	5
5	9	8	1	6	7	4	2	3
1	3	2	5	9	4	8	7	6

JUMBLE

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

BROOT

LIEDY

PNRSIG

KWAANE

I think this route is the fastest.
What do you think about the scenic route instead?
BEFORE THEY CHOSE A ROUTE TO TRAVEL, THEY LOOKED AT THE MAP TO ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

"____" THEIR _____

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: VERGE CATCH SUNSET INDOOR
Answer: The conversation between the architect and general contractor was — CONSTRUCTIVE

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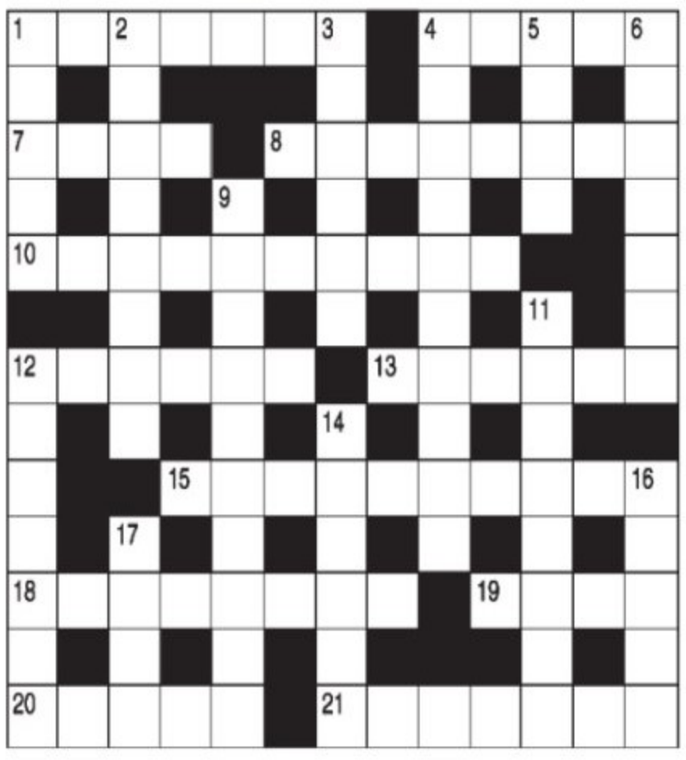
CROSS WORD



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YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

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Vax for elderly in March 1st week: Govt

Next phase will include people of all ages with comorbidities; Centre's guidelines awaited

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BY the first week of March, Karnataka will begin vaccinating people aged above 50 and adults of all ages with comorbidities, health department officials said on Wednesday during a workshop for the media.

However, the Centre's guidelines on enumerating these groups are awaited, they said. "For age criteria, we will use electoral rolls data. For those below 50 with comorbidities, we may use our health watch survey but we cannot be sure until we get the guidelines. We have certain comorbidities captured in our survey but we aren't sure which ones will be a part of the Centre's guidelines. If all comorbidities are included, we won't need another survey," said Dr Arundhati Chandrashekar, Managing Director of the National Health Mission.

The deadline set by the state for vaccinating health and frontline workers is February 20.

She added that the state has a database of cancer patients and those who have received organ transplants. She and Health Commissioner Dr Thrilok Chandra admitted that vaccine hesitancy was leading to poor response. "Fake news on social media is adding to the problem," Dr Chandra said.

A staffer opens a vaccine box at Dasappa Hospital | SHRIRAM BN

The department said that over 400 minor and 15 severe Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI) have been reported so far. Minor ones include mild fever, headache, dizziness and body ache, which can be treated with paracetamol.

"People are not following Covid appropriate behaviour due to the low number of cases, leading to cluster outbreaks. People from endemic zones such as Kerala and Maharashtra are also coming to Karnataka, which makes it hard to tell who is a carrier of the virus," he said.

The commissioner said that between July and November 2020, more Covid deaths were recorded due to delayed reporting, which could be seen in the number of admissions to the ICU. However, that is no longer the case as patients are being picked up early and are not ending up critically ill in the ICU.

16 AEFI CASES IN STATE

A month after Covid immunisation began, 16 severe Adverse Events Following Immunisation (AEFI) have been reported in Karnataka, all with the Covishield vaccine. Of 16 cases, 3 died; 10 recovered; 3 are in hospital

DEATHS

- Ballari man aged 43 got the jab on Jan 16, developed side-effects on Jan 18
- Shivamogga man aged 58 got the jab on Jan 18, had symptoms on Jan 20
- Belagavi woman aged 36 got jab on Jan 22, developed symptoms on Jan 30

Health department officials have maintained that all the three deaths were "coincidental events" not related to vaccination.

OTHER SERIOUS REACTIONS

1. Udupi woman aged 52 developed bilateral pneumonia
2. Woman aged 35 developed GB Syndrome
3. Man aged 56 developed chest pain
4. Dharwad man aged 53 developed right hemiplagia
5. Kalaburagi woman aged 24 had convulsions
6. Koppal woman aged 35 developed breathlessness, persistent cough 20 minutes after her 2nd dose; vitals stable

ANXIETY

7 women aged 25-47, two each from Ramanagara and Davanagere, one each from Bengaluru, Mysuru, Bengaluru Rural, developed anxiety

Covid clusters not sign of second wave, says virologist

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THE cluster outbreaks at nursing colleges in Mangaluru and Bengaluru, and at an apartment complex in Bengaluru cannot be interpreted as a second wave of infections, virologist Dr V Ravi said on Wednesday during a workshop held to sensitise media on Covid vaccination.

"If some cluster cases cross a critical point, it will be called a second wave but at present we cannot call it that. If there is a series of cluster events, we need to look out for a second wave. This depends on how individuals behave and how fast the health system acts in containing cases. We are at the lower end of the epidemic curve but have not touched the base line. From here, it could go either up or down," Dr Ravi said.

He said that INSACOG labs (a consortium of 10 government labs conducting genomic sequencing) are awaiting funds from the Centre for more genomic sequencing which will help detect variants in clusters. This should be worked out in ten days. A meeting will be held with the Centre on February 25 to finalise the funding. After this, 5% of routine samples in each state will be sent for genomic sequencing.

Samples from the nursing college clusters have been sent to NIMHANS for genomic sequencing.

"Eighty-six samples of UK travellers to Karnataka were sequenced at NIMHANS with the institute's own funds. Twenty-five of these samples tested positive for the UK variant. None tested positive for the South African or Brazilian variant," he said.

VISION GROUP PROPOSAL

Experts moot measures for trauma care, heart ailments

RANJANI MADHAVAN
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DOCTORS on the state government's expert panel tasked with overhauling health care in the state, spoke to *The New Indian Express* on improving cardiac and trauma care.

The Karnataka government had announced the Vision Group on January 1, to look into the comprehensive development of the health sector in the state. Headed by Dr G Gururaj of the National Institute of Mental Health and Neurological Sciences, the group has come up with suggestions for trauma and cardiac care. The group, is to submit its report in six months.

Dr Pradeep Rangappa, consultant, intensive care, at Columbia Asia Hospital, who is on the trauma care sub-committee, told *TNIE* that tele-medicine could be used to provide specialised care in districts and rural areas where doctors and nurses may not be trained in intensive care.

"Tele-medicine was used during the pandemic in a rudimentary fashion and it needs to be strengthened, to have a digital command centre to including private and government health centres. Specialists in Bengaluru can virtually aid smaller district and taluk hospitals in cardiology, oncology, neurology, etc, and even bring down deaths," Dr Rangappa said, adding that it could be monetised within the private sector.

Another member of the trauma care sub-committee, Dr Vidyadhara S, consultant spine surgeon at Manipal Hospitals, said that screening for non-communicable diseases could be set up at primary health centres and anganwadis by checking sugar, blood pressure levels and other indicators.

"Scoliosis (curvature of the spine) screening programmes should be held in schools. It goes unnoticed as there is no pain. If detected before it reaches 25 degrees, it can be treated with a belt," Dr Vidyadhara S told *TNIE*.

He called for a helpline for accidents on highways, as currently, people with multiple fractures end up going to nursing homes or small health centres where health professionals cannot spot or treat spine injuries.

"In these smaller centres, a person's limbs get fixed but they are unable to walk. Highway health centres need to be educated to perform spinal X-ray and refer the patient to a higher centre and not treat them as limb fractures can wait, unless they are amputations. A helpline in such a case will direct the ambulance driver to the right doctor and hospital," he added.

He also suggested that the state government create a catalogue of health centres which offer complicated surgeries so that patients know where to go for treatment for conditions such as scoliosis, liver transplant, and bone marrow transplant.

Dr Vivek Jawali, cardiothoracic and vascular surgeon at Fortis Hospitals, who is a member of the cardiac care sub-committee, suggested bringing heart transplants under the Ayushman Bharat Arogya Karnataka scheme and that rates of compensation to private hospitals under the scheme for complicated heart surgeries be revised.

"We must improve budgetary allocation for health. A simple smartphone can help implement tele-medicine and can establish collaboration between public and private facilities. This way, we can also reach interior areas and it will be a learning opportunity for staff at district medical colleges," Dr Jawali.

Protocol for heart failure must be established to bring about uniformity in medical management and avoid repeat hospitalisation, Dr C N Manjunath, director of Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, and member of the cardiac care sub-group, told *TNIE*.

"Physicians and general practitioners should be sensitised to heart failure. Also, a hub and spoke model must be established for heart attack management within the golden period of 3-6 hours," Dr Manjunath said.

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No: EEE/400kV/SSCD/AEE-2/AE(O)/20-21/1384-86 Date: 05.02.2021
No: EEE/400kV/SSCD/AEE-2/AE(O)/20-21/1412-14 Date: 06.02.2021

NOTIFICATION

The Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited have formulated a schemes under section 67 of the Electricity Supply Act 2003 and the same is here with published in pursuance of section 67(ii) of the said Act for information of the general public. Particulars of the schemes are as follows.

1. Name of the Scheme: Conversion of the existing 220kV Gowribidanur-D.B Pura SC to 220kV DC line to an extent of 40kms for taking supply directly from 400/220kV R/s located at Devanahalli Hardware Park includes following. **A)** Conversion of 220kV Hoody-Gowri Bidanur SC Line to DC line from NRS DB Pura LILO point to Gowribidanur Station for a distance of 45.376km- The said line passes through **Doddaballapur Industrial Area, Majara Hosahalli, Chikkatumkur, Horalumallige, Anagalapura, Kodihalli, Talagavara, Honnaghatta, Koluru, Antarahalli, Melinanaikaradarahalli, Gundumgere, Byadarahalli, Sonnenahalli, Makali, Doddamallekere, Yerragunte, Bevinahalli, Mallasandra, Kuntachikkanahalli, G.Bommasandra, Vedalaveni, Mittenahalli, Gundapura. B)** Running SC of 220kV SC 1200Sqmm XLPE UG cable for a distance of 2.335kms from 400kV Devanahalli Hardware Park station to CTT in OH line corridor in Devanahalli area- The said cable passes through **Huvinayakanahalli and KIADB area. C) Salient Features:** This is an ideal Load Centre where the Industrial, Commercial, Agricultural and domestic loads are existing and the problems of low voltage, frequent interruptions in power supply can be overcome and further load growth can be catered in and around the area. Reduces system loss by 3.6MWs thus saves the large amount of public money. **D) Estimate Cost of the Project: Station:- Rs. 9419.87 Lakhs.**

2. Name of the Scheme: Construction of 220KV Multi Circuit (4Ckts) line with AAAC Moose conductor with 'V' strings and partially 220kV UG cable from existing 400/220KV Nelamangala Station to strengthen the 220kV Transmission line connecting the 220kV SRS Peenya, 220kV NRS Rajajinagara, ongoing 220kV Brindavana Sub-station and proposed 220kV Sahakarinagra Sub-stations by utilizing 13Kms of idle 110kV SBT corridor includes following. **A)** Construction of 220kV MC line from 400/220kV Nelamangala station to Cable Terminating Tower (CTT) near Brindavana LILO point with special design Narrow based towers in the existing 110kV SBT corridor for a route length of 13.94Kms. - The said line passes through **Nelamangala, Arisinakunte, Mallapura,Shivanapura, J.I.Gajagadhakuppe, J.I.Narayanappanapalya, K.G.Harokyathanahalli, Dombarahalli, Lakshmipura, K.G Srikantapura, J.I Kodagi Thirumalapura, J.I Doddabidarakalu, Karihobonahalli, K.G Nelakadharanahalli, Peenya. B)** Construction of 220kV SC line on existing 220kV DC Towers in idle line corridor from proposed 2220kV CTT (design based) to 220kV Peenya Sub-Station (Bypassing Peenya Bus) and linking to the existing 220kV SRS peenya –NRS Rajaji Nagar SC line to take supply directly from 220/66kV NRS RajajiNagar sub-Station from 400/220kV Nelamangala Station for a route length of 2.7Kms. - The said line passes through **Peenya, NTTF Circle, TVS Cross, SRS Peenya. C)** Running 1200Sqmm DC UG cable for a route length of 0.185kms from proposed 220kV MC Cable Terminating Tower (CTT) near Brindavan LILO point to proposed 2220kV Cable Terminating Tower (CTT) to link to existing 220kV DC line to ongoing 220/66kV Sahakarinagara Sub-Station- The said line passes through **Peenya. D)** Running 1200Sqmm DC UG cable for a route length of 0.37kms from proposed 220kV MC Cable Terminating Tower (CTT) near Brindavan LILO point to proposed 2220kV Cable Terminating Tower (CTT) near NTTF circle for connecting to idle corridor to take supply directly from NRS Rajaji Nagar Sub-Station. The said line passes through **Peenya. E)** Running 1200Sqmm DC UG cable for a route length of 0.865kms from proposed 220kV MC Cable Terminating Tower (CTT) near Brindavan LILO point to proposed 220/66kV Brindavan GIS Sub-Station for connecting 400kV Nelamangala Sub-Station to 220/66kV Brindavan GIS Sub-Station. The said line passes through **Peenya, Brindavan. F) Salient Features:** This is an ideal Load Centre where the Industrial, Commercial, Agricultural and domestic loads are existing and the problems of low voltage, frequent interruptions in power supply can be overcome and further load growth can be catered in and around the area. **G) Estimate Cost of the Project: Station :- Rs.13845.19 Lakhs.**

The corporation shall have and exercise all powers, which the telegraph authorities process under Para (iii) of Indian Telegraph Act 1885(13 0f 1885) for carrying of the above schemes. Objection or discrepancies to the schemes, if any should be sent to the Executive Engineer (Ele.) 400kV S.S.C.D, K.P.T.C.L, Hebbal, Bangalore-24 **within 15 Days** from the date of publication of this notification for consideration by the corporation.

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No.EX-II/:Ph.D/2nd Counselling/2021 Date: 17.02.2021

NOTIFICATION

2nd Round Ph.D Counselling Date : 23-02-2021

Ref: Approval of the Vice-Chancellor, Dtd: 17.2.2021

The 2nd Round of Ph.D Counselling will be held on 23-02-2021 at 9:30 a.m. in Jnanabharathi Campus, P.G. Departments and UVCE, K. R. Circle, Bengaluru-560001. Candidates who were absent and also those who were not selected in the 1st Round of Counselling, are eligible to attend the 2nd Round of Counselling.

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Sd/-, REGISTRAR (Evaluation)

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No/PWD/CKD DIV/AE-1/TENDER/2020-21/6492 DATE: 16/02/2021

Time Extension e-Tender Notification-1

Short term e-tender notification No. PWD/CKD DIV/AE-1/TENDER/2020-21/6266 Dated 06/02/2021 was called & Now the First time extension is made for the works at Sl No. 1, 3 & 6, is as below.

Calender of event:

1)Pre-bid meeting date: 22-02-2021 at 11.00 AM, at The O/o the under signed.2)Last date for queries & clarifications : 24-02-2021 up to 5.30 PM, 3)Last Date of Receipt of Bids : 26-02-2021 up to 5.00 PM, 4)Date of opening of Financial bids (Single Cover System): 01-03-2021 at 4.30 PM,5)Date of opening of Technical bids (Two Cover System): 01-03-2021 at 4.30 PM, 6)Date of opening of Financial bids (Two Cover System): "after approval of Technical bids"

All other conditions of the tender remain unchanged.

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Date: 17.02.2021

Sd/- Regional Head,
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No.Aca-IV:PG.Admn.:2020-21 Date: 17.02.2021

NOTIFICATION

Ref: Approval of the Vice-Chancellor dated: 16.02.2021

In continuation of the Notification of even number dated: 06.11.2020, 23.11.2020 & 04.12.2020, issued by this Office, the off-line admission to P.G. Courses for the Academic Year 2020-21 are scheduled as shown below:

Dates Notified for Counselling for Admissions 2020-21	
a) Counselling for Admission to PG Courses in Arts, Science & Education.	**On 22nd and 24th February 2021 at their Respective Departments at JB Campus**
b) Counselling for Admission to PG Courses	**On 22nd and 24th February 2021**
1. History	**at H. N. Auditorium, Lounge, JB Campus**
2. Political Science	**at H. N. Auditorium, Back Entrance, JB Campus**
3. Economics	**at H. N. Auditorium, Main Entrance, JB Campus**
c) Counselling for Chemistry & Bio-Chemistry Course.	**On 22nd and 24th February 2021 at Prof. K. Venkatagiri Gowda Memorial Hall, JB Campus**
d) Counselling for Admission to PG Courses in the Faculty of Commerce.	**On 22nd & 23rd February 2021 at Dr. M. S. Thimmappa Hall, Psychology Building, JB Campus**

Sd/-, REGISTRAR

Government of Karnataka
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No.S.P.V.S.T./CR./E-Tender/General-01/2020-21 DATE : 18.02.2021

E-PROCUREMENT Re-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Tenders are invited from **Sri Prasanna Veraanjaneya Swamy Temple, Mahalakshmi Layout**, Bangalore for the period i.e. **(01.04.2021 to 31.03.2022)** of the following various E-Tender through E-Procurement Portal. Interested contractors can get more details at **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**.

Sl No	Details of Tender	Date of Submission of Tender form E-Procurement Portal	Date of Opening of E-Tender in E-Procurement Portal
1	Supply of Shalya	**Date : 18.02.2021 to 01.03.2021 Before 4.00 PM**	**Date : 02.03.2021 4.30 PM**
2	Footware fee collection (North and South Entrance)		

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STATE LOOKS AT SCRAPPING TALUK PANCHAYATS, TERMS THEM BURDEN

Prefers two-tier administration system; State Election Commission begins ZP/TP poll process

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THE Karnataka government is keen on scrapping Taluk Panchayats (TP) and retaining a two-tier system of Zilla Panchayats (ZP) and Gram Panchayats to streamline rural administration.

A resolution to this effect is likely to be passed in the assembly during the budget session next month, after which the State government will send a recommendation to the Union government.

The government is initiating the process to do away with Taluk Panchayats at a time when the State Election Commission (SEC) is gearing up to conduct Zilla Panchayat and Taluk Panchayat polls in April or May this year. The SEC has even started the process of delimitation of constituencies. According to officials, the number of TP seats will come down by 600 after the number of voters per constituency is increased. The EC is preparing to conduct elections to 3,200 seats.

Sources in the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (RDPR) department said the government is keen on scrapping TPs as the members have neither administrative powers nor financial powers. TPs have become a burden on the State government, which is already facing a financial crisis.

RDPR Minister KS Eshwarappa said that in the coming budget session, the issue would be discussed in both the assembly and council, and a resolution will be passed. Since the decision on scrapping TPs cannot be taken by the State government, it will be sent to the Centre, which may seek opinion from other states.

Eshwarappa said that over time, TPs have become a burden. "Instead, TP staff can be shifted to Gram Panchayats, which can be strengthened financially too," he added. However, the election process will start, he said.

Official sources said that scrapping Taluk Panchayats involves a lengthy process, as the Union government will have to bring in an amendment to the Constitution. "Taluk Panchayats only pass on resolutions passed by Gram Panchayats to Zilla Panchayats. They don't enjoy financial powers and cannot implement any projects. Many TP members contested the GP elections for this reason in the recent elections," sources said.

Taluk Panchayats have become a burden. Instead, TP staff can be shifted to Gram Panchayats, which can be strengthened financially too

KS Eshwarappa, RDPR Minister

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Congress members protest on Race Course Road showing their support for Disha Ravi, who was recently arrested in Bengaluru, on Wednesday | SHRIRAM B N

Disha's friends stand with family

Her religion not relevant to the case: Lawyer

CHETANA BELAGERE @ Bengaluru

DISHA Ravi has spoken to her mother twice since Tuesday, and assured her that she is doing well and hopes to come home soon.

Prasanna R, one of Disha's lawyers and also a family friend, told *TNIE*, "Her advocate in Delhi has ensured that she spoke to her mother twice since yesterday. She is doing fine."

Rubbishing hundreds of tweets claiming that Disha is a Christian, Prasanna said his family knows Disha's Hindu Lingayat family for three generations. Her father Annappa Ravi comes from a small village in Arasikere, and mother Manjula Nanjaiah is from a village in Tiptur.

He also said that "religion is least relevant" to the case. "How does her religious identity matter? She and her friends have been extremely passionate and enthusiastic about their campaigns and love for nature," he said.

Interestingly, her friends have been taking turns to stay with Disha's parents at their residence in Chikkabanavara in Bengaluru. When *TNIE* called, one of Disha's friends answered the phone, "Disha's family doesn't want to speak to the media on any of these issues right now. They are not comfortable speaking, and we won't be saying anything too."

"Though Disha comes from a farming family, she hasn't experienced village life herself. Her knowledge about climate change, mining or forest-related issues are very sound and she has also written on these topics. Her concern for climate and association with Greta's movement is very strong," explained Prasanna. Disha, who is very vocal in her dissent on environmental policies, has written strongly to the forest ministry too.

How does her religious identity matter? She and her friends have been extremely passionate and enthusiastic about their campaigns and love for nature

Prasanna R, Disha's lawyer

"This is a pattern by the State. They seem to have noticed that Disha has been quite active in her fight on issues damaging the environment and are going after her. This toolkit issue is also like that. It doesn't come under sedition in any way."

Bail definite, say lawyers

With Disha's police custody ending on Thursday, her lawyers are expecting court to grant bail. "In all probability, she will be sent to judicial custody. The bail process will begin and we see no reason for court not to grant bail," said Prasanna. Her advocate in Delhi Abhinav Sekhri told *TNIE* that Disha has been given family time and access to the FIR copy. "I don't want to comment much on the case now," he said.

India failing its young, parents begin e-campaign

ENS @Bengaluru

PARENTS, teenagers and young adults on Wednesday begin an online campaign, seeking safety and freedom of youngsters from the government. They demanded the immediate release of of Disha Ravi, a 22-year-old environmental activist and graduate of Mount Carmel College, by Delhi Police, dropping of the "farcical investigation" and repeal of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA) and sedition law. They wanted the State government to ensure that procedures established in constitutional and criminal law are adhered to.

"As parents, we know that all-round development of children and youth is only possible when they are exposed to different viewpoints, when they can debate and stand for or against any position. By criminalising young people's speech, thoughts and lawful actions, India fails its future citizens," they said.

The arrest was carried out in complete violation of procedures established both in constitutional and criminal law, they alleged.

The arbitrariness of this case, which criminalises an ordinary tool used both by the government and social movements, will have a chilling effect on the youth and parents alike. The "abduction of Disha" showed that young persons with a sense of curiosity and passion to change the world were not safe in today's India, they said.

They recalled and condemned the incarceration of young women activists Amulya Leona, Nodeep Kaur and Gulfisha Fatima.

"It is a matter of shame that the government of Karnataka, which has the responsibility of protecting the right to life of our people, has abdicated its responsibility," they added, condemning the call by an elected member to "exterminate" Disha, and equating her actions to terrorism.

Panchamsali reach B'luru outskirts, rally on Sunday

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PANCHAMSALI seers and protesters, seeking 2A status for the community, have reached Nelamangala on the outskirts of Bengaluru, and are likely to enter the city in the next two days. They plan to hold a massive convention at Palace Grounds on February 21 (Sunday).

About 10 lakh people are scheduled to attend the convention, Panchamsali Swami Vachanananda said. He, along with Jaya Mrutunjaya Swami, are leading the march from Koodalasangama.

Asked about their next move, he told *The New Indian Express*, "We will not disclose our plans but will take a decision and inform everyone on February 21.'' Some reports indicated that they may intensify their agitation after the Sunday convention.

Putting forward their argument, Vachanananda Swami said when 34 sub-sects within the Lingayat community have been given reservation under 2A, why not the Panchamsalis — Gouli Lingayats from the coast, Diksha Lingayats in Kalyan Karnataka, and Male Gowdar Lingayats in the Malnad have not got 2A status. "We raised it in 2003, when there was a demand to accord OBC to the entire Lingayat community," he said.

The Union government had then asked community leaders to get a gazette notification under 2A category to be included in OBC, but that has not yet happened.

Yediyurappa caught in a Catch-22 situation over Lingayat quota

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CHIEF Minister B S Yediyurappa seems to be in an unenviable position – he has been under tremendous pressure from various communities demanding better reservation. But what has become more politically significant is the Panchamsalis, one sect of Lingayats too, launching a quota stir. Yediyurappa himself a Lingayat is in a fix as he knows that if he concedes their demand, he will be antagonising the other Lingayat sects. So he wants to accord OBC status to the entire Lingayat community. But the BJP bosses, according to party sources, are not keen on it.

In Karnataka, of the 6.25 crore population, around 1.4 crore are Lingayats. They are a dominant community in more than 100 assembly constituencies, most of them in North Karnataka. Even while there was demand for reservation from other castes, Basava Jaya Mruthyunjaya Swamiji from Kudalasangama Panchamasali Peeta started demanding that

A file picture of Basava Jaya Mrutyunjaya Swamiji of Panchamasali Peetha with Belgavi district in-charge minister Ramesh Jarkiholi

the community get 2A tag. They now get reservation under 3B category. The seer even took out a padayatra recently from Kudalasangama to Bengaluru.

BJP sources said this is anothing but an attempt to break Yediyurappa's popularity. "By bringing pressure on Yediyurappa to include only Panchamasali also means attracting the wrath of other sub-sects within the Lingayat community. It's an attempt to weaken Yediyurappa," sources said.

All India Veerashaiva Mahasabha General Secretary and KPCC working president Eshwar Khandre said there are many sub-sects and that OBC status should be given to all. "At present, 5 per cent of the total quota is under 3B category. Lingayats, along with Christians and Marathas, share this quota. We are demanding to be included under 2A, which is 15 per cent of the total reservation. The State government has to recommend and send it to the Union government," Khandre said.

However, the CM wants to recommend reservation for the entire Lingayat community. "If reservation is given to the entire community, Yediyurappa will be more popular,"' sources said.

This is not going well with the Union government and BJP leaders. A senior BJP leader said the community is socially and economically strong and wondered how they can demand backward class status. The Union government and party leaders in Delhi are not happy with this, the BJP leader said, and added that they have already instructed Yediyurappa not to commit himself.

2A FOR PANCHAMSALIS: FORUM GIVES ULTIMATUM TO CM TILL FEB 21

Vijayapura: Dr B S Patil, state president of Pancha Sainya, a wing of Akhila Bharat Lingayat Panchamasali Samaja Trust, has warned Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa to be ready to face consequences if the government fails to consider the demand of according 2A status to panchamasali and other sub-castes of Veerashaiva-Lingayat community on or before February 21. Speaking to reporters here on Wednesday, he said, "The chief minister is vested with the power to accord 2A status to any community. Hence, we urge Yediyurappa to fulfil the demand within a week, failing which, we will stage a mega rally at Freedom Park on Sunday (February 21). This will be followed by an indefinite hunger strike on the premises of Vidhana Soudha against the state government. The padayatra, led by Kudalasangama Panchamasali Peeta Seer Basava Jaya Mruthyunjaya Swamiji, has reached Bengaluru Rural. On February 21, over 10 lakh people from the community are expected to take part in the rally. We are demanding the reservation within our rights. It is a two-decade long pending demand from the community." **ENS**

Swamiji stresses on higher quota for Vokkaligas

Bengaluru: After different religious heads demanding reservation for their communities, Nirmalananda Swamiji of Adichunchangiri Mutt on Wednesday stressed that reservation for Vokkaligas should be increased. At a meeting organised by his mutt to discuss the issue, he said the increase in quota is needed for the welfare of Vokkaligas. A Vokkaliga Authority Board needs to be created and a detailed study should be conducted to improve the community, he added. He said that there are 115 subsects among Vokkaligas and not all of them have been included in the Other Backward Class category. Since many of them have failed to get benefits, all sub-sects and those from urban and rural areas too should be classified as OBC, he said. **ENS**

Cut petrol, diesel tax: Surjewala to State

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SENIOR Congress leader Randeep Surjewala on Wednesday urged the state government to reduce taxes on petrol and diesel. He said diesel and petrol prices have been hiked for the ninth day in a row and the taxes are insurmountable.

The cost of petrol and diesel in India is just ₹30, but people are made to pay much more. "The Rajasthan government reduced the local VAT rate for the state to provide some relief to people. Why is the BJP government in Karnataka not reducing its own VAT rate on petrol and diesel?" he questioned.

Surjewala said it is the responsibility of the Prime Minister and the CM to listen to people and take steps to reduce the burden. "Cooking gas cylinder prices are now crossing ₹770 per cylinder. In the last two-and-half months, it has been increased by ₹175 per cylinder. Also, on account of enhanced cost of transportation, cost of all essential commodities is soaring," he said, adding that the government is refusing to listen to people.

On Taluk and Zilla Panchayat elections, Surjewala said they will hold interaction with elected representatives and the party leaders to come up with an action plan for development of rural areas as well as Bengaluru and the Congress will go to polls with that action plan.

WAS THREATENED FOR REFUSING RAM TEMPLE DONATION, SAYS HDK

Former CM HD Kumaraswamy at a press conference in Bengaluru on Wednesday

ANUSHA RAVI @Bengaluru

FORMER chief minister and Janata Dal (Secular) senior leader H D Kumaraswamy on Wednesday alleged that he was threatened for refusing to donate money to the Ram temple construction in Ayodhya, a claim that the Bharatiya Janata Party has deemed as lies.

Speaking to reporters, Kumaraswamy, while defending his concerns over volunteers marking houses of those donating funds, asked who authorised such collections and demanded transparency on where and how the money was being spent.

"Random people on the street are collecting money in the name of the temple. I am a victim myself. Three people, including a woman, visited my house a few days ago and demanded that I donate to Ram temple funds and when I refused they threatened me. They asked me why I was refusing to donate for a project that was a national priority. Who are these people? Who authorised them to collect money and threaten people," Kumaraswamy asked.

On Monday, he had alleged that volunteers were using stickers to mark households that have donated to the fund.

Malavika Avinash, BJP spokesperson and a volunteer in the fund collection drive, denied any such use of stickers. "We make a record of the name, contact number and contribution of those donating for verification and rectification purposes if there are any procedural problems. Can anyone believe that RSS and VHP volunteers can threaten a former Chief Minister who has gunmen for his security? I would ask him to stop spreading lies," she told *TNIE*.

During his press conference, he said, "I have neither disrespected nor insulted Ram by merely asking for accountability. You have misused and defamed Ram and have indulged in religious corruption. I have nothing against the construction of the temple," he said, reacting to BJP leaders from Karnataka questioning his family's devotion and religious beliefs.

Karnataka Governor Vajubhai Vala at the wedding reception of KPCC president DK Shivakumar's daughter Aisshwarya with Amartya Hegde, and their families at Prestige Golfshire Club in Devanahalli on Wednesday

When all roads led to Devanahalli...

Bengaluru: It was an evening of glitter and glamour at the Prestige Golfshire Club in Devanahalli, the venue for the reception of Aisshwarya, daughter of KPCC president DK Shivakumar, and Amartya Hegde, son of Cafe Coffee Day founder late V G Siddhartha and grandson of BJP leader SM Krishna.Prominent among the guests were former AICC president Rahul Gandhi, AICC general secretary Priyanka Gandhi Vadra, Rajashthan CM Ashok Gehlot, Puducherry CM V Narayanasamy, senior Congress leaders KC Venugopal, Ghulam Nabi Azad, Mallikarjun Kharge, Randeep Surjewala, Karthik Chidambaram, former PM HD Deve Gowda, sitting Karnataka ministers Ramesh Jarkiholi, R Shankar and many others. The who's who of Bengaluru, MLAs, MLCs, and former legislators from the Congress, BJP and JDS were there to bless the couple. Many senior IAS and IPS officers were also present. The menu included at least 100 varieties of choice dishes from North and South India — vegetarian and non-vegetarian — besides an array of desserts. Though the venue was meant to be a secret, and Shivakumar had sent a video request to the uninvited to bless the couple from their homes, hundreds of gatecrashers arrived at the jampacked club. It took almost two hours to reach the venue, with a huge pile-up of cars on the road leading up to it. The reception was live-streamed on social media. **ENS**

EXPRESS READ

Probe against two officials of mines dept

Bengaluru: A departmental inquiry has been ordered against two officials working in the mines and geology department after Mines and Geology Minister Murugesh Nirani received written complaints against them from mining companies. The two have been suspended after being accused of indulging in corruption and encouraging illegal activities. Acting on the minister's instructions, Ramesh DS, Director and Disciplinary Authority, mines and geology department suspended BM Lingaraju, Deputy Director, mines and geology department, Chitradurga and Fayaz Ahmed Sheikh, geologist, Deputy Director's Office, mines and geology department, Bagalkot, said a statement issued by the minister's office on Wednesday. The officials were accused of harassing owners of stone quarrying companies. The direction to take action against them was issued after Nirani held a meeting with officials and owners of mining companies on Tuesday. **ENS**

Provide infra to Juvenile Justice Boards: HC to State

Bench directs govt to establish child-friendly courts, aid e-hearings

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THE Karnataka High Court has sought information from the State government on the infrastructure provided to Juvenile Justice Boards (JJBs) and establishment of child-friendly courts in the State.

Pointing out that the government has not framed Rules under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, the court said that the JJBs are required to hold sittings in child-friendly premises.

IN THE HC

It said the Boards should have a uniform staffing pattern and infrastructure. Therefore, the government needs to prepare the standard designs of the JJBs and its staffing pattern after consulting all the stakeholders and the Karnataka State Legal Services Authority, the court ordered, while directing the government to provide the required infrastructure to JJBs, including for conducting hearings via video conference.

It has also asked the government whether any steps have been taken by the State Commission for Protection of Child Rights for monitoring and implementation of the provisions of the Act.

In view of the dictum of the Supreme Court, there is a need to conduct a social audit of the performance of various institutions created under the Act. The State Government will have to respond on this issue, the court added.

This is one among several interim directions issued by a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice S Vishwajith Shetty on the functioning of the JJBs established under the Act.

These directions were issued on a suo motu public interest litigation filed by Bachpan Bachao Andolan Charitable Society.

It also said that the location of JJBs have to be either in an observation home or at a place in proximity to the observation home or at a suitable premises in any Child Care Institution.

The court also directed the government to consider creating one or two additional posts of Judicial Magistrate of the First Class (JMFC) in each district so that they can spare time on a full-time basis for JJBs.

TDR certificates for Palace land will be discussed in cabinet: Bench told

The State Government on Wednesday informed the Karnataka High Court that it will discuss granting Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) certificates to eligible people to use lands of Bangalore Palace Ground for widening of Ballari and Jayamahal Roads during the cabinet meeting on February 18, 2021, as there is a need to approach the Supreme Court seeking modification of its order passed on November 21, 2014. Advocate Geneal Prabhuling K Navadgi made the submission before the division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Sachin Shankar Magadum.

Manual scavenging: Court asks state to issue directions

The Karnataka High Court on Wednesday ordered the state government to issue general directions to all local bodies to ensure that no person is allowed to clean a sewer manually without protective gear. However, there are four exemptions to this direction under Rule 3 of the Prohibition of Employment as Manual Scavengers and their Rehabilitation Rules, 2013. A division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Sachin Shankar Magadum passed the order in response to PILs filed by the High Court Legal Services Authority and the AICTU.

SAVOURING THE KING OF FRUITS

Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar and Horticulture Minister R Shankar attend the inauguration of the Mango Buyer and Direct Trade Linkage meet organised by the Karnataka State Mango Development and Marketing Corporation, in Bengaluru on Wednesday | EXPRESS

Lokayukta tells KSPCB to close Ambuja Export Ltd in Haveri

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CONSIDERING the serious impact on the environment and farmers due to pollution, the Karnataka Lokayukta directed the Karnataka State Pollution Control Board (KSPCB) to take steps to close Gujarat Ambuja Export Limited in Haveri district.

Lokayukta Justice P Vishwanath Shetty also directed the Haveri Deputy Commissioner to examine the grievances of the complainants and others who have suffered due to the pollution caused by the company and to determine the compensation payable to them under 'polluter pays principle'. He also directed the DC to determine the damage caused by the company to the environment. Justice Shetty passed this order as the complainants and farmers have been suffering due to the loss of crops and are unable to use the water of the lake in Hulasogi village in for drinking and irrigation.

Gadigeppa Pakkeerappa Malasali of Hulasoli village filed a complaint before Lokayukta in 2017 against the KSPCB Chairman, local environmental officer in Haveri and managing director of Ambuja Exports Limited.

Directing the DC to submit a status report within two months, Justice Shetty directed the KSPCB to initiate legal proceedings against the company for failing to comply with the observations made by the technical advisory committee.

"Based on the material collected during the investigation, I am satisfied that on account of the environmental pollution caused by Ambuja Export Limited, the complainants have been continuously suffering injustice and undue hardship," the Lokayukta said in his order.

Justice Shetty also cracked down on the officers entrusted with the responsibility of preventing the pollution caused by the company.

CRIME PATROL

FDA Q-paper leak: Former coaching centre owner held

Bengaluru: CCB police, investigating the First Division Assistant (FDA) exam question paper leak case, have arrested a man, who was running a coaching centre, and had allegedly given the question paper to candidates. The accused, Shivaling Patil is from Gokak. Joint Commissioner of Police (Crime) Sandeep Patil said that the accused was arrested after investigations revealed that he had obtained the paper from Rachappa, who has already been arrested. "He contacted the candidates and had given the paper. His coaching centre was shut down a year ago," Sandeep added. "Patil had been absconding soon after learning about Rachappa's arrest. Based on specific inputs, he was nabbed from Gokak," a source said. ENS

Guard murders live-in partner, kills self

Bengaluru: A security guard allegedly murdered his live-in partner and killed himself at Weavers Colony under Konanakunte police station limits on Tuesday. The deceased are Chikkamoga (45) and Ramya (35), who worked in a garment factory. Both hailed from Malavalli taluk of Mandya district. Police said they both had deserted their spouses and had been staying together in a rented house for almost a year. "When Ramya did not answer her mother's calls at night, she requested a relative to check on her. He found Ramya lying in a pool of blood. Later, police discovered Chikkamoga's body hanging from the ceiling. ENS

Drink and drive checks to be back soon

Bengaluru: Drink and drive checks, which were temporarily suspended in the city due to the Covid pandemic, will be back soon, with all safety measures in place. Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic) B R Ravikanthegowda said they decided to restart the checks due to many incidents of riding/driving under the influence of alcohol leading to accidents. "We will use sanitised alcometers and they will be kept in zip-lock covers. One device will be used for one person only once and it will be kept in a cover. It will not be used for three days. The personnel have been asked to sanitise their hands in front of the person who will be checked," he said. ENS

6 held for selling spurious meds to elderly

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THE Tilaknagar police arrested a gang of six men who had allegedly cheated senior citizens by selling them counterfeit ayurvedic medicine. The arrested are Sarjith alias Mahesh (40), Manjunath Shirke (40), Shivalinga alias Gautam (42), Ramakanth alias Amit (37), Kishan Raju (23), all residents of Yeshwantpur, and Kallolappa Gurappa Bagalakote (63) of Gokak in Belagavi.

Police said that 69-year-old Ravi BR Anukar had filed a complaint on February 10 stating that he had gone to the Jayanagar Orthopedic Centre in 9th Block, on September 27 last year to get treatment for back and knee pain. As he was speaking over the phone to a relative and telling him about his ailment, a person approached him and introduced himself as Ramesh. The stranger claimed that his brother Seetharam was working in Dhanvantari Ayurvedic Centre in Rajajinagar and he will give ayurvedic medicine to alleviate his pain.

"The next day, Ramesh took the complainant to the Ayurvedic centre and introduced some people as doctors and staffers. He explained to him that the treatment will cost Rs 2,59,860 but the complainant told him he cannot afford so much money. As Ramesh told him that the money will be refunded if the does not go away, the complainant paid, taking the medicines given by the accused. As the medicine did not help, Anukar went to the centre for a refund, but it was closed. He also found other senior citizens there, who had also fallen prey to the same trick," the police said.

The police launched a probe and arrested six people, and recovered Rs 5 lakh cash from them. "So far, three others who were cheated by them have been traced," the police added.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sri. Rajashekhar** S/o Sri Basavarajappa, aged about 42 years, am permanent resident of Karnataka and am residing at No.1638, 6th B Main, 5th Cross, Hampinagar (RPC Layout) Vijaynagar 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560 040, have added my family surname and changed it as **Rajashekhar Varad.** I hereby declare that both name belongs to me only, as sworn vide affidavit Dt: 15.02.2021 before Notary H.S. Sakalesh Aradhya, Advocate & Notary, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SULOCHANA M PUJER** is legally wedded spouse of NO 7783459W, Rank: NK, Name: **MAHADEV PUJER** presently, R/a HQ COY, CMP Centre and School, Bangalore-25, permanently R/a Village & Post: Naganur, Teh:Gokak, District: Belgaum, State: Karnataka, Pin: 591224, have changed my name from **SULOCHANA M PUJER** to **SOLUCHANA PUJER**, vide affidavit dated 17-02-2021 before Notary **VIJAYAMURTHY R SONDE**, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO. 15330617W HAV R.Jalapathi. CIW, Depot BN, MEG & Centre, Bengaluru-560042, have changed my Father name from **VEERAIAH** to **ROUTHU VEERAIAH** and Mother name from **LAXMI** to **ROUTHU LAXMI** vide affidavit Dated 10/02/2021 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

ANNOUNCEMENT
I, ARMY NO. 13627571A Havaldar Vinodh.R S/o (Late) Raja, resident at 1KAR Signal Regt, NCC, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026, hereby submit that in my service records my Mother name is wrongly entered as **JAYANTHI** instead of **JAYANTHI.R,** I further declare that my Mother's correct name is **JAYANTHI.R** and her correct Date of Birth 17/06/1968 vide affidavit Dated 8/2/21 sworn before XXIV Addl Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **JAYASHREE .H** W/o Sri M.R. Suresh, aged about 59 years, R/a No. 002, 'Vasantha Rama', Nandi Crystals Apartment, 12th 'A' Cross, 16th Main, BTM 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-560076, do hereby declare that all the names i.e., **JAYASHREE .H, SULATHA S. NAYAK** and **JAYASHREE S. NAYAK** are one and the same and belongs to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **JAYASHREE .H** for all practical purposes, vide affidavit dated 15-02-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **M. PRABHAKAR** at Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **CATHERINE GLORIA,** D/o A. Xavier, r/at No. 66, 2nd Cross, Hutchins Road, Cooke Town, Bengaluru-560 084 declare that both names **CATHERINE GLORIA & KAVITHA XAVIER** refers / pertains to one and the same person i.e. myself alone, vide affidavit dated: 17-02-2021, sworn before Notary **L. Gopalakrishna,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, H.PADMAJA, Spouse of No. 15320835F HAV M.Koteswara Reddy, Yadavalli (Post & Vill) Giddalur (Taluk) Racherla (Mandal) Prakasam (Dist) Andhra Pradesh (State) PIN:523356, have changed my name from **H.PADMAJA** to **M.PADMAJA** vide affidavit Dated 16/02/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, MOHAMMED NAVEED, residing at No. 5473/1, KGF Road, KEB Quarters, Mojawar Mohalla, Mulabagal, Kolar-563131, have changed my Minor Daughter's name from **SAAIHA FATHIMA** to **HAFSA FATHIMA** vide affidavit Dated 17/02/2021 sworn before Notary L.Gopalakrishna, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **POORNIMA MANJUNATH SHIVASHIMPIGER,** W/o Manjunath Shivashimpiger, Aged about 37 years, R/at: 013, White Rose BLK, Vivek Marvels Apartments, Surabhi Layout, Jakkur Main Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore 560064, have changed my Daughter's name from **SAHANA** to **"SAHANA MANJUNATH SHIVASHIMPIGER"** Vide affidavit dated 17.02.2021 sworn to before **G R Ravichandra Reddy** Notary at Bengaluru.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **STEPHEN RAJ,** S/o Ambrose, residing at No. 44, 1st Main, 2nd Stage, Gowthamapuram, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560 008 have changed my name from **STEPHEN RAJ** (as per Baptism) to **STEVEN RAJ .A,** vide affidavit dated 17-02-2021, sworn before Notary **O.S. Chengappa,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, LATHA, Spouse of No. 15320259H NK Ajith Kumar.A.C. residing at Vill:Pathanapuram, Post: Kundayam, Taluk: Pathanapuram, Dist:Kollam, State:Kerala, PIN:689695, have changed my name from **LATHA** to **LATHA.N** vide affidavit Dated 12/02/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Smt. Priyadarshini Bangalore Rajanna (Smt. Priyadarshini BR) C/o. Rajanna S.,** aged about 47 years, R/at No. B 605, Brigade Millennium, JP Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore-560078 have declare that **Priyadarshini BR and Priyadarshini Dhavale** are both the names belongs to me only and one and the same person. shall in future shall be read as **Priyadarshini BR** through affidavit dated 17-02-2021 sworn before notary, D. Guna Shekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NEELUFER JAMEEL** W/o HOSKOTE JALEEL JAMEEL AHMED, R/at No. 4/2, 3rd Cross, Sonappa Block, J C Nagar, Bangalore North 560046, Declare That My Name Has Been Changed from **NEELOFER ISHRATH** to **NEELUFER JAMEEL**, Vide Affidavit Dated 03-02-2021 Before Notary **S. SAMUEL SOLOMON** Bangalore for all Purpose in order to rectification of name wherever it is warranted.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Jayalakshmamma Alias Rathnamma.A, W/o. Sri. Anjanappa, aged about 54 years, R/at No.10, 1st Main Raod, Near Anjeneya Temple, Thippenahalli, Bengaluru North - 560 073. I declare that both the names **'JAYALAKSHMAMMA' and 'RATHNAMMA'** belongs to me only. Vide affidavit dated 17.02.2021. Sworn before Advocate and Notary Aruna V, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, KENCHA SUNITHA, Spouse of No. 16113499K L/NK Ramesh Kore, residing at H.No. 1-190, Vill:Konapuram, MD:Chenna Rao Pet, Tehsil:Narasampet, Dist:Warangal, State:Telangana, PIN:506332, have changed my name from **KENCHA SUNITHA** to **KORE SUNITHA** vide affidavit Dated 16/02/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, Muthuvel Gajendran Suresh @ Muthuvel Gajendran, S/o. Suresh, aged about 35 years, R/at # 303 B, Anjaneya Anugraha Appt, Immadihalli, Whitefield, Bangalore-56066, have change my name to MUTHUVEL CHOLAN vide affidavit dated 17-02-2021, sworn to before notary C. Muniswamy, Bangalore.

NAME DECLARATION
I, **BASANTI DEVI,** W/o Sri. Mani Channavadi @ Kannan, R/at No.1910, Sobha Mayflower, Bellandur Village, Bangalore 560103.
I hereby declare that my names is called as **VASANTHA and BASANTI DEVI** these both names are belongs to me only, vide Affidavit dated 17.02.2021 sworn to before Notary **P. Ramakrishna,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BABURAO IRANNA METRY** S/o **Iranna Metry,** Aged About 37 Years, R/at No.018, A block, Celebrity Structures India Pvt Ltd, Bidraguppe Village and Post, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District-562107, have changed my name to **MAHESH IRANNA METRY** vide affidavit dated:17/2/2021 Before Notary **Chanchala Lakshmi** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO. 15329134M L/NK Venkatanarayana Reddy.D. Unit: CICE, Depot BN, MEG & Centre, Bengaluru-560042, have changed my Son name from **DOMA NAGA ABHI CHARAN REDDY** to **DOMA NAGA CHARAN REDDY** vide affidavit Dated 03/02/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **A. Suraiya Sultana** D/o. Abdul Ranaq, aged about 28 years R/at No. 170, Hulimangala Village, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, declare that my name in renewed Aadhar No. 2546 8867 0952 is mentioned as **A. Suraiya Sultana** only. But in my Passport No. 89380070 it is wrongly mentioned as **Suraiya Sultana** I swear that my name is **A. Suraiya Sultana** only and I have declared this as per affidavit sworn to before Muniswamy T, Advocate & Notary Anekal Town, Bangalore Dist. on 16-02-2021

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RIBU CHOUDARY** W/o Abi Roni Mattom, R/a Villa No. 49, Rainbow Retreat, Behind Glentree Academy, Choodasandra Main Road, Sarjapura Road, Bengaluru-560035, have changed my name to **RIBU RONI MATTOM,** vide affidavit dated 16-02-2021, sworn before Notary **MEER HASSAN,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MANOHAR ULIPADY NAIK** S/o **Krishna Naik,** Aged About 42 Years, R/at Flat No.B-502, Vaishnavi Nakshatra, Tumkur Road, Near Yeshwanthapura Railway Station, Yeshwanthapura, Bengaluru-560022 have changed my name to **MANOHAR KRISHNA NAIK** vide affidavit dated:16/2/2021 Before Notary **T.C.Thimmaraja** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, SERVICE NO. 16126379K SPR Alagu Raja.R. Record's MEG & Centre, Bangalore, have changed my name from **ALAGU RAJA.R** to **ASWIN RAJA.R** vide affidavit Dated 16/02/2021 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

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ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560079, ಕಮಲಾನಗರ, ಕಸ್ತೂರಿ ಬಡಾವಣೆ,1ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯ ರಸ್ತೆ, ಪೆನೇ ಅಡ್ಡರಸ್ತೆ, 227ನೇ ನಂಬರು ಮನೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ವಾಸವಾಗಿರುವ ಶ್ರೀ ಮೋರೇಗೌಡರವರ ಧರ್ಮಪತ್ನಿಯಾದ ನಾಕಮ್ಮ ಆದ ನಾನು ಈ ಮೂಲಕ ಪ್ರಮಾಣೀಕರಿಸುವುದೇನೆಂದರೆ, ನನ್ನ ಕುಟುಂಬದ ಪಡಿತರ ಚೀಟಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ನನ್ನ ಗಂಡನ ಹೆಸರು ಮೋರೇಗೌಡ ಎಂಬುದರ ಬದಲು ಮೋಗೇಗೌಡ ಎಂದು ಕಪ್ಪಾಗಿ ನಮೂದಾಗಿರುತ್ತದೆ. ನನ್ನ ಗಂಡನ ಹೆಸರು ಮೋರೇಗೌಡ ಎಂದು ನಮೂದಿಸಬೇಕು. ಹಾಗೂ ನಾವು ಮನೆಯನ್ನು ಬೇರೆಡೆಗೆ ವರ್ಗಾಯಿಸಿರುವುದರಿಂದ ನಮ್ಮ ಮನೆಯ ಹೊ ವಿಳಾಸ: ಸಂ.174/ಎ, 1ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, ಕಮಲಾನಗರ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560079, ಮತ್ತು ಹೊಸ ವಿಳಾಸ: ಸಂ.227, 1ನೇ ಮುಖ್ಯರಸ್ತೆ, ಪೆನೇ ಅಡ್ಡರಸ್ತೆ, ಕಸ್ತೂರಿ ಬಡಾವಣೆ, ಕಮಲಾನಗರ, ಬೆಂಗಳೂರು-560079, ಎಂದು ಬದಲಾಯಿಸಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇನೆಂದು ದಿನಾಂಕ : 15.02.2021 ರಂದು ನೋಟರಿ ಆರ್. ರಘುನಾಥ್ ರಾವ್ ರವರ ಸಮ್ಮುಖದಲ್ಲಿ ಪ್ರಮಾಣೀಕರಿಸುತ್ತೇನೆ.

NAME DECLARATION
I, **KRISHAN KUMAR MURUGAN,** S/o C. Mani, R/at No.1910, Sobha Mayflower, Bellandur Village, Bangalore 560103.
I hereby declare that my names is called as **K. MURUGAN and KRISHAN KUMAR MURUGAN** these both names are belongs to me only, vide Affidavit dated 17.02.2021 sworn to before Notary **P. Ramakrishna,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NEESHA** W/o **Praveen Kumar Oswal** Aged About 38 Years, R/at No.767, 34th Cross, 9th main, 4th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011, have changed my name to **NEESHA LALITH KUMAR** vide affidavit dated: 16/2/2021 Before Notary **Hegde Ganapati Venkatraman** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SUNNY, S/o. Sanjay.B.Mehta, residing at No. 22, BMP-2, 1st 'A' Main, BEML Factory, G.M.Palya, Bangalore-560075, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SUNNY** to **(NEW NAME) SUNNY SANJAY MEHTA** vide affidavit Dated 16/02/2021 sworn before Notary V.Srinivasa Reddy, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **AFTAB AHMED,** S/o Anaruddin, aged about 36 years, R/at No.1/1, c No. 5th Street, Chandini Chowk Road, Shivajinagar, HKP Road, Bangalore-560051, hereby declare that my daughter's name **BIBI AYESHA** out of my wed lock with **KHURSHIDA KHATOON.** But in the school Records her name is wrongly shown as **AYESHA KHATOON,** and the father name is wrongly mentioned as **AFTAB ALAM ANSARI** in the place of **AFTAB AHMED,** hereafter she will be known and called as **BIBI AYESHA** vide affidavit dated 16.02.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary B.V. NAGABHUSHANA, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **RAMAKRISHNA .D.M,** aged about 44 years, S/o Mudugeraiah, R/a No. 7/1-1, 4th Main Road, Opp. Government Primary School, Vijayanagar, Govindarajanagar, Bengaluru-560040, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAMAKRISHNAIAH .D.M** to **RAMAKRISHNA .D.M,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **RAMAKRISHNA .D.M** only, vide affidavit dated 17-02-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **PUTTARAMAIAH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NARENDRA LAL CHAND JAIN,** S/o **Lal Chand Jain** Aged About 37 Years, R/at No.B-31, Navadeep Flat, Near Simandhar Jain Temple Mehsana,Gujarat-384001, Now at Bengaluru, have changed my name to **SHAH NARENDRA LAL CHAND** vide affidavit dated:16/2/2021 Before Notary **T.C.Thimmaraja** Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) AMEER HAMAZA, S/o. Late Lal Ahmed, residing at No. 1-949/123, Old Jewargi Road, Near Siddeshwar Kalyana Mantap, Devanagar, Kalaburgi-585102, Now Camp at Bangalore have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) AMEER HAMAZA** to **(NEW NAME) MOHAMMED HAMZA LAL AHMED** vide affidavit Dated 16/02/2021 sworn before Notary V.Srinivasa Reddy, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **AFTAB AHMED,** S/o Anaruddin, aged about 36 years, R/at No.1/1, c No. 5th Street, Chandini Chowk Road, Shivajinagar, HKP Road, Bangalore-560051, hereby declare that my daughter's name **BIBI ASMA** out of my wed lock with **ASEEMA KHATOON.** But in the school Records her name is wrongly shown as **ASEEMA KHATOON** and the father name is wrongly mentioned as **AFTAB ALAM ANSARI** in the place of **AFTAB AHMED,** hereafter she will be known and called as **BIBI ASMA** vide affidavit dated 16.02.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary B.V. NAGABHUSHANA, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VANAJA KRISHNAMURTHY,** W/o Ramachandran Krishnamurthy, aged about 68 years, R/at No.B3-1603, Elita Promenade, J P Nagar 7th Phase, Bangalore, Karnataka 560078, have changed my name from **K. VANAJA** to **"VANAJA KRISHNAMURTHY"** Vide affidavit dated 17.02.2021 sworn to before **Neha Baddi** Notary at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MULLATH DEVADASS UNNI,** aged 65yrs, S/o, Ramachandran Unni, R/a, No.706, 5th Building, Shanthi Park Apartments, 9th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560069, state that as my name entered accordingly in all records, except in my Driving License bearing No. **KA19 19850000052,** wrongly mentioned as **DEVDAS UNNI M.** I intend to rectify the same vide affidavit dated: 15-02-2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary, Aravind Patil.G.G, Bangalore.

ANNOUNCEMENT
I, JC 311175F Sub B.Mubarak Ali presently serving in MEG & Centre Bangalore-42, state that in my service record my Mother name and DOB is wrongly mentioned as Name: **MEHRUNNISA,** DOB **01/07/1954** instead of Name:**MEHARUNNISA,** DOB **12/03/1953** her correct name is **MEHARUNNISA** and correct DOB is **12/03/1953** vide affidavit Dated 16/02/2021 sworn before Notary C. Santhosh, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **V. VIJAYA @ KANICKA MARY LETHA,** D/o. Vinayaka Moorthy @ Sagaya Raj, aged about 53 years, R/o. No. 129, St. Thomas Street, Kammanahalli Circle, Bangalore - 560 084, do hereby declare that **V. VIJAYA** and **KANICKA MARY LETHA** both names belong and refers to one and the same person i.e. my self. Vide affidavit dated 17.01.2021 sworn before Advocate & Notary G. Kaspar, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT
"I, **SIMI CHACKO** W/o Monish Abraham, R/o #23, Carmel Layout, St. Mary's Orthodox Church Compound, Begur Koppa Road, S. Bingipura, Jigani Hobli-560105, have changed the name of my minor daughter **KEREN HAPPUCH ABRAHAM alias ADNYA,** aged 8 years, and she shall hereafter be known as to **KEREN HAPPUCH ABRAHAM",** vide affidavit dated 17-02-2021, sworn before Advocate and Notary **N. NAGAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **AISHVARYA MURALI,** D/o Mr. Nott Krishnarao Murali, aged 38 years, Resident of No. 414, Embassy Pristine, 21, 6th Main Road, Iblur Village, Bangalore South, HSR Layout, Bengaluru - 560102, Karnataka, India, have changed my name from **AISHVARYA CHANAKYA** (Old name) to **AISHVARYA MURALI** (New name), vide affidavit dated 17-February-2021, before Notary, S.N.Madhu,Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) SAMIULLA KHAN, residing at No. 16/1, 2nd Cross, M D Block, Malleshwaram, Bangalore-560003, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SAMIULLA KHAN** to **(NEW NAME) MOHAMMED SAMIULLA HABIBULLA** vide affidavit Dated 17/02/2021 sworn before Notary K.C.Gothami, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **VIHARIKA SWATHI AKSHINTHAL,** D/o Sri Gopal Reddy, W/o Vinay Deep Suresh Babu, aged about 30 years, R/at No. 1335, 14th Cross, 50 Feet Road, Kumaraswamy Layout, II Stage, Bengaluru, have changed my name from **PRIYANKA .G** to **VIHARIKA SWATHI AKSHINTHAL,** vide affidavit dated 12.02.2021, sworn before Advocate & Notary R.S. VIJAY, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SANGITA** is legally wedded spouse of JC 820078 N, Rank: SUB (MP), Name: **GURAV RAMCHANDRA BABAN** presently, R/a Army HQ Provost Unit, C/o 56, APO, permanently R/a Village: Jakhinwadi, Post, Nandlapur, Teh:Karad, District: Satara, State: Maharashtra, Pin: 415539, I have changed my name from **SANGITA** to **GURAV SANGITA RAMACHANDRA,** vide affidavit dated 17-02-2021 before Notary **VIJAYAMURTHY R SONDE,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, KRISHNA KUMARI, Spouse of No. 15329188N HAV Somaiah Dasari, residing at Door No. 7 - 546, Karlapalem (Post & MD) Guntur (Dist) Andhra Pradesh (State) PIN:522111, have changed my name from **KRISHNA KUMARI** to **DASARI KRISHNA KUMARI** vide affidavit dated 10/02/2021 sworn before Notary S.I.Balaguru, Bangalore.

ANNOUNCEMENT
I, ARMY NO. 13627571A Havaldar Vinodh.R S/o (Late) Raja, resident at 1KAR Signal Regt, NCC, Mysore Road, Bangalore-560026, hereby submit that in my service records my Brother name is wrongly entered as **VARUN KUMAR.R** instead of **VARUN.R,** I further declare that my Brother's correct name is **VARUN.R** and his correct Gender is Brother vide affidavit Dated 30/12/2020 sworn before XXIV Addl Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bangalore.

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(Water Resource Department)

Office of the, Executive Engineer, UKP,Rehabilitation Divn. No.4, Bilagi, Camp:Navanagar-Bagalkote.

No.UKP/Reh.Dn.4/PB-2/20-21/792 **Date: 16-02-2021**

TENDER NOTIFICATION (THROUGH E-PROCUREMENT)

As per the tender procedure of KTTP Act, tenders are invited in two cover system from eligible contractors in KW- 3 pertaining to Indent No. 721 (Rs. 89.35 lakhs) & 720 (Rs. 86.16 lakhs). The last date for submission of bid through e-procurement portal is 04-03-2021 up to 4.00pm. Tender conditions & other details can be procured in e-procurement portal and from this office in working hours.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, UKP, Reh.Divn.No.4 Bilagi, Camp: Navanagar-Bagalkote.

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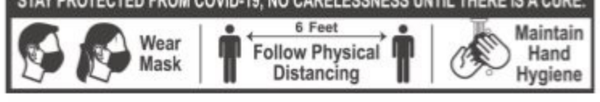

GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, MANGALURU DIVISION, MANGALURU

No.PWD/MNG/TND(70E)/2020-21/AE-1 Dated: 16.02.2021

e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

On behalf of Government of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, PWD, Division. Mangaluru invities Tender in Two Cover bids under E-tendering system in **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** portal form eligible Tenderers in accordance with KTTP for the following works, under the Head of Account:- 4216-01-700-2-01-389 Judicial Quarters. The tenderers are advised to note the minimum qualification criterion specified in I.T.T Clause – 3 of Standard Tender Document KW-4, to qualify for award of the contract. Tender document may downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the government of Karnataka Viz. **http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Name of the Work: Head of Account:- 4216-01-700-2-01-389 Judicial Quarters (1) Proposed Multistoried Quarters for Judicial officers at Hathill, Mangalore (Block-B). **Approximate value of work Rs.1000.00 Lakhs. Total Earnest Money Deposit Rs. 15.00 Lakhs -** Part–I Through e-payment **Rs.1.00 Lakh**, Part–II Through Bank Guarantee **Rs.14.00 Lakhs**, Period of Completion including Mansoon: **36 Months**, Tender Processing Fees: **As per e- portal**.

Head of Account:- 4059-80-051-0-32-386 Court Buildings (1) Proposed Bar Assosiation Building in the Court Premises of Moodabidri in Moodabidri Taluk, D.K Dist5rict. **Approximate value of work Rs.295.00 Lakhs. Total Earnest Money Deposit Rs. 4,42,500/-** - Part–I Through e-payment **Rs.1.00 Lakh**, Part–II Through Bank Guarantee **Rs.3,42,500**/-, Period of Completion including Mansoon: **24 Months**, Tender Processing Fees: **As per e- portal**.

Calender of Events: (1) Date from which Tender documents can be downloaded from e-portal: **23.02.2021 to 29.03.2021 before 16.00 Hours. (2)** Date of pre- bid Meeting & place For Sl.No. 1 Works Only: **15.03.2021 at 11.00 AM, Office of the Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Mangaluru Division Mangaluru. (3)** Last date for clarification**: 24.03.2021 upto 5.30 PM. (4)** Last date for reciept of tender: **29.03.2021 upto 16.00 Hours (5)** Opening of Technical Bids: **30.03.2021 at 4.30 PM.**

Any Extension,call,Corregendum/Addendum publiication cancelation of tender and Any Change in dates of events and value of work put to tender and EMD amount etc only can been seen from e-portal **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in**. The interested bidders may obtain any further information and clarifications in the office of the undersigned.

Sd/- (Yashwanth Kumar S.) Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, Mangaluru Division, Mangaluru

DIPR/ADM/MCA/898/20-21 dt.17.2.2021

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

WORKS BRANCH **MADURAI DIVISION**

TENDER NOTICE NO. MDU-W-03-2021 DATED: 16-02-2021.

e-tenders are invited for the following works by the Divisional Railway Manager / Works / Southern Railway / Madurai. Tender closing date for Item no 1 to 13 on 11-03-2021 at 14.00 hrs.

Sl. No. 1. **Name of Work:** Manaparai & Palani Permanent way sections: Through Rail Renewal (Secondary) for a length of 7.14kms including deep screening work on loop line of Road No. 1 & 3 of Akkaraipatti, Chatrapatti & Oddanchatram and Road No. 1,2 & 4 of Palani and Road No. 4 of Manaparai stations. **App. Value Rs. in Lakhs:** 121.66. **Period of Completion:** 9 months.

Sl. No. 2. **Name of Work:** Tirunelveli - Tenkasi Section: Proposed strengthening of bridge approaches by contructing ballast retaining wall and standardizing the formation of 2 major bridges in between stations Pavurchutram & Tenkasi in Senior Section Engineer / Permanent way / Sengottai section. **App. Value: Rs. in Lakhs:** 37.68. **Period of Completion:** 6 months.

Sl. No. 3. **Name of Work:** Manamadurai - Rameswaram section: Annual Maintenance of pamban bridge (Br.No: 346) Under water inspection, Annual painting, Oiling and Greasing of steel girders 12.20m span for the year of 2021-2022 & 2022-2023. **App. Value: Rs. in Lakhs:** 168.93. **Period of completion:** 24 months.

Sl. No. 4. **Name of Work:** MADURAI DIVISION - Proposed Interlocking of LC's - 7nos. 1) Divisional Engineer / Central jurisdiction - Proposed Interlocking of LC No.18, 24 in Madurai - Manamadurai section (2 Nos). 2) Divisional Engineer / South Jurisdiction - Proposed Interlocking of LC No. 384, 37, 42A, 463 & 444 in Madurai - Virudhunagar, Tirunelveli - Tiruchendur, Virudhunagar - Vanchchi Maniyachchi & Virudhunagar - Tenkasi Sections (5 Nos). **App. Value: Rs. In Lakhs:** 21.18. **Period of Completion:** 6 months.

Sl. No. 5. **Name of Work:** 1) Madurai Division: Construction of PF toilet @ Mettur & Kizhapuliyur. 2) Tirunelveli - Improvements to circulating area, remodelling of concourse area and provision of airport style lighting arrangements. **App. Value: Rs. in Lakhs:** 75.74. **Period of completion:** 6 months.

Sl. No. 6. **Name of Work:** Divisional Engineer / Central / MDU Jurisdiction - Development of circulating area at Madurai East and Sholavandan, Parking area at Manamadurai and approach road at Sholavandan, Kudalnagar, Samayanallur stations. **App. Value In Lakhs:** 32.42. **Period of Completion:** 6 months.

Sl. No. 7. **Name of Work:** Madurai Junction: - Brightening up of staff quarters. **App. Value: Rs. in Lakhs:** 58.35. **Period of Completion:** 3 months.

Sl. No. 8. **Name of Work:** DEN/C Jurisdiction TRR(S) for a total length of 8.605 km including deep screening work for a length of 8.370 km on loop line of various station yard in BG/MG Madurai and MNM p.way section. **App. Value Rs. in Lakhs:** 141.95. **Period of Completion:** 6 months.

Sl. No. 9. **Name of Work:** Madurai Railway colony: Replacement of water pipe line and improvements to water supply and drainage system. **App. Value Rs. in Lakhs:** 424.79. **Period of Completion:** 9 months.

Sl. No. 10. **Name of Work:** Tirunelveli sub division:- Maintenance of water pipeline system in staff Quarters, Service buildings, pit lines of all stations except between Palayamkottai - Tiruchendur, Jawahar colony and East colony of Tirunelveli station for a period of 2 years. **App. Value Rs. in Lakhs:** 25.98. **Period of Completion:** 4 months.

Sl. No. 11. **Name of Work:** MADURAI Jn. - Joint Development of Stations in association with Ministry of Tourism - For works under RAILWAY portion - (Arrangements for the Physically challenged - friendly approaches to station area and PF No.1, Construction of second class waiting hall at western entry and RCC Over head tank of 90000 litres capacity). **App. Value Rs. in Lakhs:** 85.38. **Period of Completion:** 8 months.

Sl. No. 12. **Name of Work:** Madurai Division - Through Rail Renewal including fittings in Points & Crossings of 40 sets along with Through Sleeper Renewal in the approaches of Points & Crossings for a length of 1.30Kms. **App. Value Rs. in Lakhs:** 64.29. **Period of Completion:** 10 months.

Sl. No. 13. **Name of Work:** Dindigul - Madurai (UP & DN Line) & Madurai - Manamadurai section: - Proposed renewal of Level Crossing sleepers - 1243 Nos., at isolated locations of level crossings in between stations Dindigul - Madurai and Madurai - Manamadurai in Senior Section Engineer / Permanent way / BG / Madurai & MG / Madurai section. **App. Value Rs. in Lakhs:** 11.88. **Period of Completion:** 6 months.

Further details are available in detail on website **https://www.ireps.gov.in.** The tenderer(s) / Contractor(s) to apply for **e-tender** for works in Madurai Division, need to get enrolled in the **e-tender portal www.ireps.gov.in** and only online tenders will be accepted.

It is the responsibility of the tenderer to check any Corrigendum issued for any correction or modifications uploaded subsequently in the website. the same shall be taken into account while submitting Tender.

Divisional Railway Manager (Works), Madurai Madurai Division.

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E-TENDER NOTICE (CORRIGENDUM NO. 01)

This is with reference to the tender notice published in this newspaper on **12/02/2021** for the below mentioned work. The following changes are made in the notice please read as under:

Sr.No.	Description	Already Published	Now Read As
1	Name of Work	Construction of EWS / LIG / MIG / HIG Residential Tenements and Commercial Shopping on Land to be Redeveloped in the Layout of Vartak Nagar Police Housing Colony (Plot of Building No. 14, 16 (MIG), 51, 52, 53 (LIG), 57, 58, 59, 60, 61 (EWS) at Vartak Nagar on S NO. 183 to 187, 206 to 229, 263, 371, 381, 404 Village Majiwada, Dist. Thane under on Lump-sum Turnkey basis.	Construction of LIG / MIG / HIG Residential Tenements and Commercial Shopping on Land to be Redeveloped in the Layout of Vartak Nagar Police Housing Colony (Plot of Building No. 14, 16 (MIG), 51, 52, 53 (LIG), 57, 58, 59, 60, 61 (EWS) at Vartak Nagar on S NO. 183 to 187, 206 to 229, 263, 371, 381, 404 Village Majiwada Dist. Thane under on Lump-sum Turnkey basis.
2	Estimate Cost put to Tender	₹ 42996.62 Lakhs	₹ 37202.91 Lakhs
3	E-Tender Date	22/02/2021 to 07/04/2021	25/02/2021 to 12/04/2021
4	E-Tender Opening Date	08/04/2021	15/04/2021

All other particulars of the original notice remain unchanged.

Office of the Executive Engineer-I, Konkan Hsg. and Area Dev. Board, Room No.169A, Mezzanine Floor, Griha Nirman Bhavan, Bandra (E), Mumbai - 400 051.

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SHORT TERM e-TENDER NOTIFICATION

Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences & Research, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru invites tender for the supply of following items in two bid system from eligible tenderers through e-procurement portal of Government of Karnataka:

Sl. No.	Tender Notification No. & Date	Particulars
1	SJIC&R/TS/79/2020-21 dt. 17-02-2021	Supply of Intra Vascular Lithotripsy(IVL) – 1 No.
2	SJIC&R/TS/80/2020-21 dt. 17-02-2021	Supply, installation, testing and commissioning of HT Panel, VCB 3 Panel for providing power HT power supply and other allied works at SJICR – Infosys Foundation 11 KV Substation, SJICR premises, Bengaluru.

1. The tenderers can download the documents from **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in from 19-02-2021 and** the last date for submission of completed tenders through e-portal is **05-03-2021 upto 4-00 PM.**
2. Date of Pre-bid meeting: **27-02-2021 at 11-30 AM.**
3. Date of Technical Bid opening : **06-03-2021 at 4-00 PM.**
4. EMD: as mentioned in the tender document.
5. For further details, please visit our website: **www.jayadevacardiology.com**
6. The Tender Accepting Authority reserves the right to accept/reject/cancel the tender partially or fully without assigning any reason at any stage of processing.

Sd/-
Chief Administrative Officer.

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DEMAND NOTICE

(UNDER SUB SECTION (2) OF SECTION 13 OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS & ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED ACT)

A notice is hereby given that the following Borrowers/guarantors/mortgagors who have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrowers & Guarantor & A/c No.	Details of Properties/ Address of Security Assets to be Enforced Borrower	Date of Notice	Date of NPA	Amount outstanding (As on the date of notice)
1	**A/c No. HL 30093744164 Smt.Sonal Singh** W/o Vijay Singh, No 223, 3rd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru – 560018. **Guarantor: Sri. Vijay Singh,** S/o Sri.Dharm Singh, No 223, 3rd Cross, 4th Main, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru – 560018.	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY: Property 1:** All that piece and parcel of vacant residential Site No.552, Khata No. 2144/130/552 issued by Kenchanakuppe Gram Panchayat measuring East to West 50 Feet and North to South 35 Feet totally measuring 1750 Sq. Feet formed in the residential converted lands and carved out of the residential layout of sites duly approved by BMRDA Vide No. BMRDA/ LAO/143/2005-06 dated 29.10.2005 now called as 'ABM Info City' and situated in Sy.No. 20/1C at Kallugopahalli Village, Bidadi Hobli, Ramnagaram Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, thereon together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the : East by: Site No 565, West by: 30 Feet Road, North by: Site No 553, South by : Site No 551 Sale Deed dated 04.11.2006 registered in favour of Mrs.Sonal Singh W/o Mr. Vijay Singh registered in Book No.1, under document No.RMN-1-06708-2006-07, stored in CD No.RMND47 in the office of the Sub Registrar, Ramanagar on 04.11.2006. **Property 2:** All that piece and parcel of vacant residential Site No.551, Khata No. 2143/130/551 issued by Kenchanakuppe Gram Panchayat measuring East to West 50 Feet and North to South 35 Feet totally measuring 1750 Sq. Feet formed in the residential converted lands and carved out of the residential layout of sites duly approved by BMRDA Vide No. BMRDA/LAO/143/2005-06 dated 29.10.2005 now called as 'ABM Info City' and situated in Sy. No. 20/1C at Kallugopahalli Village, BidadiHobli, RamnagaramTaluk, Bangalore Rural District, thereon together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and bounded on the East by: Site No 566,West by: 30 Feet Road,North by: Site No 552, South by : Site No 550 Sale Deed dated 04.11.2006 registered in favour of Mrs.Sonal Singh W/o Mr. Vijay Singh registered in Book No.1, under document No.RMN-1-06711-2006-07, stored in CD No.RMND47 in the office of the Sub Registrar, Ramanagar on 04.11.2006.	01.02.2021	26.01.2021	**Rs.14,76,226/-** (Rupees Fourteen Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Six Only) as on 01.02.2021. You are also liable to pay further interest at the contractual rate from 02.02.2021 on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc.
2	**A/c No. HL 54011397220 Smt. T.G. Rajeshwari,** W/o Sri S. Venugopal, No.35/39, Lakshmi, Behind old BHS, Shankara Park, Shankarapuram, Bengaluru – 560004. Also at: FF-12A, A & M Residency, First Floor, HHS & HMS Complex,(Silk Exchange Building), Cubbonpet Main Road, Near Halasuru Gate Police Station, Bengaluru – 560002 **Gurantor: Sri S. Venugopal**, S/o Late Y.M.S. Rao, No.35/39, Lakshmi, Behind old BHS, Shankara Park, Shankarapuram, Bengaluru – 560004.	**PROPERTY 1:** All that piece and parcel of vacant site No.19, Khata No.2054, formed in Converted Sy. No.46/1, 46/2, 46/3, 43/4, 43/6, 43/7 and 43/8 duly converted by the Deputy Commissioner vide Order No.BDS:ALN (S) SR (KT):27/2004-2005 dated 26.06.2004, situated at Mylasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, now called as **"ABM RESIDENCY"** thereon together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and measuring East to West: 70 Feet on the North side, East to West: 67 Feet on the South side and North to South 50 Feet in all total measuring 3425 Sq. ft. and bounded on:East by : Private Property,West by: Road,North by: Plot No.18, South by: Plot No.20 Sale Deed dated 06.04.2005 registered in favour of Mrs. T.G. Rajeshwari W/o Mr. S.Venugopal, registeredin Book No.1, under document No.KEN-1-00754-2005-06, stored in CD No. KEND200 in the office of the Senior Sub Registrar, Kengeri, Bengaluru on 06.04.2005. **PROPERTY 2:** All that piece and parcel of vacant site No.20, Khata No.2055, formed in Converted Sy. No.46/1, 46/2, 46/3, 43/4, 43/6, 43/7 and 43/8 duly converted by the Deputy Commissioner vide Order No.BDS:ALN (S) SR (KT):27/2004-2005 dated 26.06.2004, situated at Mylasandra Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, now called as **"ABM RESIDENCY",** thereon together with all rights, appurtenances whatsoever whether underneath or above the surface and measuring East to West: 67 Feet on the North side, East to West: 65 Feet on the South side and North to South 50 Feet in all total measuring 3300 Sq. ft. and bounded on: East by : Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Plot No.19, South by: Plot No.21 Sale Deed dated 06.04.2005 registered in favour of Mrs. T. G.RajeshwariW/o Mr. S Venugopal, registered in Book No.1, under document No.KEN-1-00758-2005-06, stored in CD No. KEND200 in the office of the Senior Sub Registrar, Kengeri, Bengaluru on 06.04.2005.	29.01.2021	31.05.2019	Rs.3,92,637/- (Rupees Three Lakh Ninety Two Thousand Six Hundred Thirty SevenOnly) as on 27.01.2021. You are also liable to pay further interest at the contractual rate from 28.01.2021 on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc.

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrowers/guarantors/mortgagors are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Secutitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act, 2002.

Your kind attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act whereunder you can tender the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured asset(s) by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. Please also note that if the entire amount of outstanding dues together with the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is not tendered before publication of notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty, you may not be entitled to redeem the secured asset(s).

Place: Bengaluru
Date : 17.02.2021

Sd/-Authorised Officer & Chief Manager
State Bank of India,
RACPC Lalbagh Road, Bengaluru

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

WORKS TENDER NOTICE

E-Tender No: TPJ-E-04-2020-2021 Date: 16.02.2021. Divisional Railway Manager (Electrical General Services) Southern Railway, Tiruchchirappalli invites E-tenders for the under mentioned works for and on behalf of President of India. **Sl No.:** 1, **Name of work: E-Tender No:TPJ-E-04-2020-2021,** Tiruchchirappalli Division - TPJ repair attention cum over hauling to one No. of 125KVA DG set (Make: Greaves model no: ENG MOD: TD4L4 DG-2) available at DRM office complex Tiruchchirappalli. (Any genset sales dealers or genset service providers can apply), (Make: Greaves model no: ENG MOD: TD4L4 DG-2) (Period of Completion-60 Days), **Approx Value of Tender:** Rs.3,20,682, **Earnest Money Deposit:** Rs. NIL (Bid Security Declaration to be submitted), **Cost of Tender Booklet:** Rs. 1,120/- **Tender closing and opening date & time:** 15.03.2021 at 15:00 Hrs. For further details refer to web portal: www.ireps.gov.in>E-Tender> Works> View tenders. Please note that only ONLINE Tenders are accepted and tenders are to be digitally signed.

Divisional Railway Manager (Electrical) General Services

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Koramangala Branch

No. 149/2, Hosur Road, Koramagala, Bangalore – 560035. Ph No. 080 25502185/25532428 Telefax: 25526845 e-mail : korama@ucobank.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

{Rule 8(1) and (2)} (For Immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of the **UCO Bank** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued a demand notice dated 06.09.2019 and publication of the contents of the said notice in "Kannada Prabha" and " The New Indian Express" on 14.01.2020 due to non serving of the same- calling upon the borrower **Smt. Tasneem Fathima,** W/o. Sri. Gaffar. M. A. to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.14,57,422/-** (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Two Only) as on 06.09.2019 with further interest accrued thereon from 01.05.2019 and cost thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the full amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower/guarantor and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under **section 13(4)** of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this **12th day of February 2021.**

The Borrowers in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the UCO Bank, Koramangala Branch for an amount of **Rs.14,57,422/-** (Rupees Fourteen Lakhs Fifty Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Twenty Two Only) with future interest from accrued thereon and cost/expenses etc.,

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub Section(8) ofSection 13 of the Act in respct of time available, to redeem the secured asset.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Flat No. 103 inthe Ground floor of "RNG Elite- Silver Springs" bearing Sy. No. 82 and 83 and Sites No. 14, 15, 16 and 17 at Gottigere Village, Bannerghata Road, Bangalore .

(Description of Residential Flat/Units's) : Flat bearing No. 103, (Ground Floor) measuring 1182 square feet of Super Built up area along wiht the Undivided Share of Land Measuring 309 square feet in the residential APARTMENT/s known as "RNG ELITE - Silver Springs" to be constructed on the above Schedule proeprty and bounded on : East by : Flat No. 105, West by : Flat No. 101, North by : Nandhi Park Apartment and South by : Flat No. 104.

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
UCO Bank

Place: Bangalore
Dt: 12.02.2021

STATE BANK OF INDIA

RETAIL ASSETS CENTRAL PROCESSING CENTRE (RACPC) – II, KORAMANGALA

Authorised Officer's Details:
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Chief Manager,
E-mail Id: maintracpc2.ban@sbi.co.in
Mobile No:+91 7338150888.
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Mgr. NPAM :Sri Rajendra T. 9448990270

APPENDIX – IV A

[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]

E – AUCTION SALE ON 06.03.2021

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES (EXCLUDING MOVABLE ASSETS, IF ANY, LYING IN THE PREMISES)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets (excluding movable assets, if any, lying thereon under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) and 9(1)of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the below mentioned Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s) in particular that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India and whose actual physical possession has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **06.03.2021** for recovery of loan dues to the State Bank of India from the aforesaid Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s)as specifically mentioned hereunder against their names.

The Name and Address of the Borrower/Mortgagors Outstanding dues, the reserve price, the earnest money deposit (EMD), bid increment and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for the each property of the said Borrower/Mortgagors to be sold will be as under:

(1)Name & Address of the Borrower/ Mortgagor	**Sri Prabhakar M,** S/o Sri Muniyappa, No.71, 3rd Cross, Mayuravarma Road, Lakshmipura, Kempegowdanagar, Bengaluru - 560019. **Also at:** Flat No. T 16, 3rd Floor, "A" Block, "Prabhavathi Paramount", Sy. No.108/2, Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban Dist. **Office Address:** Store Keeper, Production Dept., M/s BLR Knits Pvt. Ltd., Site No.6/3B, Begur Road, 2nd Cross, Hongasandra, Bengaluru – 560068.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.34,58,277/-** (Rupees Thirty Four Lakh Fifty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Seven Only) as on 15.02.2021 and further interest at contractual rate from **16.02.2021** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.,

Property No.	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit amount	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1.	Rs.18,37,000/-	Rs.1,83,700/-	Rs. 20,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 06.03.2021	04.03.2021 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI-15627/EA/GWR/2020-21/41:

SCHEDULE - 'A' PROPERTY (Entire Property): All that piece and parcel of a portion of property being converted land measuring 18,513 Sq. feet (0 – 17 Guntas) in Sy No.108/2 (Vide Conversion Certificate bearing O. M. No. BDS.ALN.(A)(SR) 397/2004-05 dated 03.02.2005 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru Rural District, Bengaluru) situated at Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District and bounded as follows: East by: Road and Land belongs to Gopamma and Hanumanthappa, West by: Land belongs to P Lakshmana, North by: Land belongs to B M Venkatesh, South by: Land belongs to V Ashwathanarayanappa.

SCHEDULE - 'B' PROPERTY: (Mortgaged Property): All that piece and parcel of Flat No.T-16 on the Third Floor in 'A' Block having Super Built Up Area of 790 Sq. feet, consists of One Hall with common Bathroom, One Kitchen, Two Bedrooms(Attached toilet and Bathroom in one bedroom) with balconies, together with one Car Parking space in the basement and with an undivided share of 196 Sq. feet, right, title and interest in the Schedule -'A' property, being the part of the Apartment building known as **"PRABHAVATHI PARAMOUNT"** constructed on the Schedule 'A' Property with RCC framed structure, Concrete Block Masonry and standing in the name of Sri Prabhakar M, S/o Sri Muniyappa vide Sale Deed dated 05.10.2016 and registered as Document No.ANK-1-04429/2016-17 and CD No.ANKD410 on 05.10.2016 at the Office of the Sub Registrar, Anekal, Bengaluru and bounded on the:East by: Flat No.T-15, West by: Open Space/Road, North by: Open Space, South by: Corridor.

(2) Name & Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor	**Shri. D. H. Siddanagoud,** S/o. Shri. Dodda Hanumagoud, No.11, 1st Floor, 19th F Cross, Kaggadasapura, C. V. Raman Nagar Post, Bengaluru 560 093, **Also at:** Flat No.FF-17, "Prabhavathi Paramount", Kammasandra Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bengaluru Urban District, **Office address:** Employee No.R 762- 16275, Grade: S-3, B E M L, New Thippasandra, Bengaluru – 560 075.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.31,78,607/- (Rupees Thirty One Lakh Seventy Eight Thousand Six Hundred Seven Only)** as on **15.02.2021** and further interest at contractual rate from **16.02.2021** with with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.,

Property No.	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit amount	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
2.	Rs.18,95,250/-	Rs.1,89,525/-	Rs. 20,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 06.03.2021	04.03.2021 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI-15627/EA/GWR/2020-21/42:

SCHEDULE - 'A' PROPERTY: As mentioned above in property No. 1

SCHEDULE - 'B' PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of Flat No.FF 17 on the Fourth Floor in A Block having Super Built Up Area of 815 sq. feet, consists of One Hall with common Bathroom, One Kitchen, Two Bedrooms (Attached toilet and Bathroom in one bedroom) with balconies, together with one Car Parking space in the basement and with an undivided share of 200 sq. feet, right, title and interest in the Schedule A property, being the part of the Apartment building known as **"PRABHAVATHI PARAMOUNT"** constructed on the Schedule A Property with RCC framed structure, Concrete Block Masonry and standing in the name of Shri. D. H. Siddanagoud, S/o. Shri. Dodda Hanumagoud vide Sale Deed dated 02.07.2016 and registered as Document No. ANK-1-02174/2016-17 and CD No.ANKD406 on 02.07.2016 at the Office of the Sub Registrar, Anekal, Bengaluru and bounded on the :East by: Flat No. FF-18, West by: Open Space, North by: Corridor,South by : Open Space.

(3) Name & Address of the Borrower/ Mortgagor	**Sri Jaishankar N.,** S/o. Sri.Narayanappa, No.E426, 3rd Lane, ITI Quarters, Dooravaninagar, Bengaluru – 560 016, **Also at:** (i) Employee No.78356-60, HAL, Bengaluru -560 017, (ii) No.E-713, 1st Lane, ITI Quarters, Dooravaninagar, Bengaluru – 560 016.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.37,06,606/- (Rupees Thirty Seven Lakh Six Thousand Six Hundred Six Only)** as on **15.02.2021** and further interest at contractual rate from**16.02.2021** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Property No.	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit amount	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
3.	Rs.19,53,000/-	Rs.1,95,300/-	Rs. 20,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 06.03.2021	04.03.2021 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI-15627/EA/GWR/2020-21/43:

SCHEDULE - 'A' PROPERTY : As mentioned above in Property No. 1

SCHEDULE - 'B' PROPERTY(MORTGAGED PROPERTY): All that piece and parcel of the Flat No.FF-18 on Fourth Floor in "A" Block having super built up area of **840 Sq. feet,** consisting One Hall with Common Bath Room, One Kitchen, Two Bed Rooms (attached toilet and bathroom in one Bed Room) with balconies, together with One Car Parking space in the basement and with an **undivided share of 206 Sq. feet,** right, title and interest in the Schedule -'A' Property, being the part of the apartment building known as **"PRABHAVATHI PARAMOUNT"** constructed on the Schedule -'A' property with RCC framed structure, concrete Block Masonry, Main door teak frame and Steam Breach Veneered flush shutter and room doors sal woods with water proof flush shutters, Power coated aluminum windows with glass 86 safety grills, Ceramic flooring etc., with wardrobe, kitchen amenities, geyser with TV -Stand, standing in the name of Sri Jayashankar N., S/o. Sri.Narayanappa, Vide Sale Deed dated 02.07.2016 and registered as Document No.ANK-1-02173/2016-17 and CD No.ANKD406 dated 02.07.2016 at Sr. SRO, Anekal, and bounded as follows: East by: Stair Case,West by: Flat No.FF-17,North by: Corridor,South by : Open Space.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, RACPC -II, Koramangala, Bengaluru, represented by its Authorised Officer, i.e.,(1) www.sbi.co.in (2) www.tenders.gov.in and (3) https://www. bankeauctions.com/ Sbi.

For inspection of the properties please contact 9740367868/9739087288.

Place: Bengaluru
Date: 17.02.2021

Sd/- Authorized Officer
SBI, RACPC -II, Koramangala, Bengaluru.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah will address a public meeting in Villupuram on February 28 and is likely to visit Puducherry too, BJP sources have said. Prime Minister Narendra Modi is also scheduled to address a public meeting in Puducherry.

Udupi to Melbourne: NRI woman makes it big in Australian politics

PRAKASH SAMAGA @ Udupi

A woman from Udupi is carving herself a niche in a faraway country — Australia. Shilpa Hegde (44) was in the news in 2013 when she was picked as the candidate by the Liberal Party to contest the federal election from Wills in Melbourne. Though she did not win then, her flair for politics has ensured that she is one of the 12 executive committee members of the Liberal Party, headed by Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison. Hegde is the first Indian woman to be in the highest decision-making body of the party.

Shilpa Hegde with husband Dayanand Shetty, and sons Nihal and Sahil | EXPRESS

As the federal election is scheduled for this year-end or early 2022, Hegde, who hails from Perdoor village of Udupi district, will have the responsibility of selecting party candidates and ensuring that they win.

An alumna of NMAM Institute of Technology, Nitte, Karkala, she moved to Australia 20 years ago. She still maintains a close contact with Perdoor and visits the town often along with her family.

Hegde, who works as an IT consultant for the global company DWS, told TNIE that she felt good to be in the executive committee as the Liberal party has shown concern for the migrant community in Australia.

"The community has no fair representation in the Australian government. I joined the party years ago and started working for the welfare of migrants. Now, as a member of the executive committee, I will have to endorse candidates selected by locals through a 'pre-selection' procedure and after thorough scrutiny, his/her candidature will be finalised," she said. Shilpa's husband Dayanand Shetty, a businessman in Australia, has been supporting her since the time she took to politics.

The couple's son, 18-year-old Nihal Hegde, too has been showing interest in politics and is a member of the youth wing of Liberal Party -- 'Young Liberal'.

Their second son Sahil (16) is in Class 11. Shilpa may contest in the next State Parliament Election in 2022.

SHOCKING VIOLENCE

Couple hacked to death as passersby look on

NAVEEN KUMAR TELLAM @ Peddapalli

Gattu Vaman Rao and Nagamani

In an act of wanton cruelty, a lawyer couple -- Gattu Vaman Rao (52) and Nagamani (46) -- were hacked to death at Kalvacherla under the Ramagiri police station limits on the Peddapalli-Manthani road in the district on Wednesday afternoon.

According to police, the lawyers were returning in a car from the Manthani court after arguing a case, when two persons -- one of them being Manthani TRS president Kunta Sreenu -- swooped down on them and hacked them with sickles used to cut coconuts. The assailants, who were in another car, first chased the couple for some distance, overtook them at Kalvacherla, stopped their car in the middle of the road and cornered Vaman Rao.

As soon as Vaman Rao's driver stopped the vehicle, the assailants rushed to the car, smashed open the window panes and brutally attacked the lawyer with knives. When his wife Nagamani tried to stop them, they killed her too. Later, they dragged Vaman Rao out and hacked him indiscriminately in the middle of the busy Peddapalli-Manthani road. All this occurred in broad daylight around 2.30 pm.

As the assailants attacked their victims, the drivers of two RTC buses halted, as though they were waiting for them to get done with the horrendous act. A few passersby merely watched the horror unfold but could not muster the courage to rescue Vaman Rao.

After one bus moved, enough room was created for the assailants to flee the spot. They got into their car and drove away, running over the grievously injured lawyer, who lay in a pool of blood.

Before the couple was shifted to hospital in a 108 ambulance, Vaman Rao told the local people on video that Manthani mandal TRS president Kunta Sreenu, who is a follower of Peddapalli Zilla Parishad chairman Putta Madhu, was one of the two persons who had attacked them. The couple died on their way to hospital.

Vaman Rao belonged to the same village as Sreenu, Gunjapadugu, where there was a dispute over the construction of a building near the Ramalayam. The lawyer couple had visited the village and later the Manthani court where they took the signature of the petitioner on some forms for a case relating to the temple. They were murdered 16 km from Manthani.

Ramagundam Commissioner of Police PV Satyanarayana, who rushed to the spot, said six special teams have been constituted to arrest the culprits.

The advocate, a couple of years ago, had taken up the case of M Madhukar, who was murdered for falling in love with a woman from a different caste. This reportedly angered some TRS leaders back then. Additionally, Vaman Rao and Nagamani used to file PILs against the government and police. They even took up the case of Seelam Rangaiah, who died in Manthani police custody recently.

'Who gave Bedi right to run govt?'

Rahul Gandhi tears into ousted Lieutenant Governor, keeps mum on Congress crisis

DEBJANI DUTTA @ Puducherry

A day after the twin paradoxical events in Puducherry, one which favoured and one which went against the Congress-led government there, former AICC president Rahul Gandhi flew down to the beach town on Wednesday. He exhorted the masses to stand against the BJP, "which was imposing itself through the office of the Lt. Governor". While he picked the thread of the Lieutenant Governor, Kiran Bedi's sudden removal the previous evening, he was mum on the crisis staring at the V Narayanasamy government, after another MLA resigned, reducing the government to a minority.

Rahul Gandhi interacts with students in Puducherry on Wednesday | EXPRESS

Addressing a rally at the ATF grounds here, Rahul Gandhi assured the people that when the Congress comes to power at the Centre, it will ensure that no L-G is allowed to decide the future of Puducherry.

Referring to the "interference" of the ousted Lt Governor, Kiran Bedi, in the Narayanasamy government's day-to-day affairs, Gandhi said, "Some Lt Governor from somewhere should not have the right to determine your future. Your future should be decided by a leader chosen by the people of Puducherry. The Centre should stop trying to create a bad future," he said, driving home the point about the Centre's intervention through the gubernatorial office.

Stating that Bedi did not understand the traditions of the region and that she did not grow up there, Gandhi asked, "On what basis did she run the government? Who gave her the right to decide and how dare she do it?"

Gandhi added, "Puducherry might be small, but it is as important as any other State in the country. It does not belong to someone from outside and it is not a personal property of anybody."

Source of funds being probed

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ALL the vehicles hired by them had stickers of the inter-state football tourney. Police sources said they had provided more than a dozen personnel on the request of Income Tax department.

In Tumakuru, a team of around 30 income tax sleuths searched Sridevi Group of Institutions, which included a medical and engineering college at Sira Gate run by BJP leader and former JDS MLC Dr M R Hulinayker. A lot of incriminating documents on alleged concealed income were reportedly seized. The officials also searched Hulinayker's residence at Someshwara Puram.

"The educational institution has an outstanding loan of Rs 100 crore from different financial institutions including the consortium of banks of Karnataka Apex Bank. The staff salaries, which were pending for some months have recently been cleared. Rs 3 crore was spent towards the salaries. The tax officers are examining the source of this money. It could have been the reason behind the tax searches," a source told *TNIE*. The search operations started in the morning and went on till evening. The I-T officials questioned the concerned staff including the accounts officer.

In Davanagere, the I-T officials searched the JJM Medical College, SSIMS and Bapuji Dental Colleges and questioned the staff and students on fees and the method of collection.

Destitute woman gangraped, murdered in Mysuru, 5 held

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mysuru

A destitute woman was raped and murdered by five men in the heart of Mysuru early Tuesday. All the five accused have been arrested and they have confessed to the crime, the police said. The woman (45), was sleeping on a stone bench when the five men sexually assaulted her and strangled her to death, states an FIR registered at the Lashkar police station on Wednesday.

The accused are Rafiq Ahmed, Manjunath R, Manu, Revanna and Krishna. "All of them have given statements, confessing to their involvement in the sexual assault and murder of the woman. The accused are daily wage labourers and ragpickers. Except Rafiq, none of them have a home and used to sleep and take shelter on major roads," the police said.

On Tuesday morning, two policemen on night patrol saw three men standing suspiciously near a bangle store on BN Street. When the cops approached them, they escaped. The police found the woman lying on the ground half-naked. Upon inspection, the policemen found that she was not breathing. The cops immediately alerted the control room, following which police personnel from the Devaraja police station rushed to the spot. The cops examined the CCTV footage from the spot and found a man approaching and talking to the woman before sexually assaulting her. The footage also showed the others sexually assaulting her.

EXPRESS READ

AP will exert pressure on Centre against VSP privatisation: CM

Visakhapatnam: Chief Minister YS Jagan Mohan Reddy on Wednesday said, if necessary, the State Assembly would pass a resolution in the ensuing Budget session to exert pressure on the Centre to stop privatisation of Visakhapatnam Steel Plant (VSP). Jagan, who arrived in the city to participate in the anniversary celebrations of Sri Sarada Peetham, held a meeting with the representatives of 14 employees unions of the VSP. ENS

Dalit woman's concerns bring Kanimozhi to tears

Dharmapuri: A Dalit woman from Eriyur alleged that she was prevented from performing aarti for DMK MP Kanimozhi during the latter's poll campaign on Wednesday. The woman moved Kanimozhi to tears by throwing light on how people from the Scheduled Caste are discriminated in society. ENS

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TTD to hold 'Kalyanamastu' on May 28

TIRUMALA: Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) pundits have fixed three auspicious dates in 2021 for the conduct of Kalyanamastu mass marriage programme, which include May 28, October 30 and November 17. Announcing this here on Wednesday, TTD Executive Officer KS Jawahar Reddy said the Kalyanamastu programme is meant for poor families which cannot afford marriage expenses of their children. The TTD successfully implemented six phases of Kalyanamastu from 2007 to 2011 as part of the Sanatana Hindu Dharma Pracharam programme. ENS

Dacoity: NIA books 11 terror outfit cadres

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

THE National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Wednesday filed a charge sheet before the NIA Special Court in Bengaluru against 11 cadres of the banned terror organisation Jamaat-ul-Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB) in connection with the dacoities allegedly committed by them to raise funds for their terror activities.

Those named in the charge sheet are Jahidul Islam (40) of Jamalpur District in Bangladesh, Najir Sheikh (25), Asif Ikbal (23), Adil Sheikh (27), Abdul Karim (21) and Mosaraf Hossain (22), all residents of Murshidabad in West Bengal, Kador Kazi (33), Habibur Rahaman S K (28) and Mustafizur Rahman (39), residents of Birbhum District in West Bengal, Md Dilwar Hossain (28) of Malda District in West Bengal and Arif Hussain (24) of Barpeta District in Assam.

They have been charged under various sections of the Indian Penal Code related to criminal conspiracy, dacoity and housebreaking and the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act.

"The investigation established the broad network forged by the JMB terrorists in India for committing terrorist and subversive activities by procuring arms and explosives, recruiting youths and conducting training camps," the NIA said.

The agency added that the JMB cadres had committed dacoity at four places in Bengaluru between February and April in 2018 to raise funds. These dacoities were committed at KR Puram, Attibele and Kothanur in Bengaluru. When the accused were interrogated, main accused Jahidul Islam disclosed all the hideouts where he along with his accomplices of JMB had taken shelter and the houses robbed, the NIA said.

According to the NIA, Islam is one of the prime accused in serial blasts in 2005 in Bangladesh. He is also the main conspirator in the Burdwan bomb blast case and Bodh Gaya blast case.

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Sl. No.	Tender No. and Date	No of Items
1.	KMSCL/ED/ HAEM/RC/2021/005 dt. 16.02.2021	5

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The Executive Engineer, Public works, Ports and Inland Water Transport Department Division, Bellary invites the tenders for the works detailed in the table from the eligible contractors registered in Karnataka Public Works Department, through e-procurement portal. Two cover tender procedure as per KTPP Act shall be followed. The tenderers can submit their tenders for any or all the works noted in the below table. The tender documents can be downloaded from the web-site http://eproc. karnataka.gov.in, for any additional information the tenderers may contact the office of the undersigned during office working hours.
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SI No	Details of Works	Amount put to Tender (Rs, in Lakhs)
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Int'l passengers take long road home to skip quarantine

VINCENT D'SOUZA @ Mangaluru

IN view of Maharashtra making 14 days of institutional quarantine mandatory for passengers arriving from United Kingdom, South Africa, Middle East and Europe, many passengers from these countries are landing at the international airports in Bengaluru, Mangaluru and Goa and then taking domestic flights or continuing their journey by road to their state in order to bypass the rule.

Sources said while passengers from Dubai and other Middle-Eastern cities are finding it convenient to land at Mangaluru International Airport, those from UK, South Africa and Europe are landing in Bengaluru International Airport and then taking domestic flights to Mumbai and other airports in Maharashtra.

A passenger who landed in Mangaluru from Dubai on Monday to visit his hospitalised relative in Mumbai, said he had to opt for the 'short cut' as he could not afford to undergo 14 days of quarantine both in terms of money and time. "Fourteen days of quarantine costs around ₹15,000. Moreover who has the time for it? I have come to visit my relative and want to get back as soon as possible. After landing in Mangaluru, I took a cab to Mumbai," he said.

However, a Mangaluru International Airport official said they were unaware of passengers landing at the airport as they do not check the final destination of passengers. "Even if their final destination is Maharashtra, we cannot stop them as institutional quarantine is not mandatory here for all international passengers," he said.

According to the website of Mumbai airport all passengers arriving from UK, Middle East, South Africa and Europe have to undergo mandatory Institutional quarantine for seven days in Mumbai at their own cost. Travellers will be kept under institutional quarantine and the RT-PCR test will be conducted on the 7th day from arrival at their own cost. If they test negative, passengers will be allowed to carry on with seven days of home quarantine. A home quarantine stamp will be put and an undertaking will be taken from travellers.

EDITORIAL

"The earliest references of a specific character to village Sabhas in the Tamil land occur in the inscriptions of the close of the 8th century CE from the Pandya and Pallava countries ... Their prevalence over the whole of Southern India is widely attested to by numerous epigraphs

KAN Sastri

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— Ramnath Goenka

THE UNABATING SCOURGE OF ROAD ACCIDENTS

Just two days after the release of a World Bank report on road accidents in India came news of more than 50 people being killed after a bus plunged into a canal in Madhya Pradesh. Media reports said the passenger bus was not only overcrowded—something not uncommon in India—but also speeding. The accident only underlined what Union Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari said while releasing the World Bank report. Calling this an eye-opener, he termed road accidents worse than Covid-19. The statistics are also damning. India ranks third in the number of road accidents, only behind the US and Japan. But what is worse is that it has the highest number of deaths owing to such accidents. This only goes to show two things: that road safety is hardly a priority in India and that rash and negligent driving is mostly the rule rather than the exception. Of the 1.5 lakh road accident deaths in 2019, 30% were owing to not wearing helmets and 16% due to not putting on seat belts. If the public took road safety seriously, this would not have been India's track record. The government may bring in laws and try to enforce the rules as strictly as possible but unless commuters themselves follow road safety norms diligently, it will only get worse, with an increasing number of people having access to their own vehicles while road density remains more or less static.

But the government also needs to do more. To begin with, enforcement of traffic rules has to be far more stringent. As of now, it is absolutely lax and steeped in petty bribery. Take wearing helmets for instance. When even in metros such as Chennai, Mumbai, Kolkata and Bengaluru there is hardly any enforcement of the rule, it can only be worse in Tier 2 and Tier 3 towns and villages. The police across the country is severely short-staffed, making enforcement difficult. At least two rules were broken in the Madhya Pradesh accident: speed and seating capacity. In more advanced nations, both these violations would most likely not have been possible. So let's hope Gadkari can deliver on his promise of reducing fatalities by 50% in the next four years.

SORT OUT INTER-STATE BORDER DISPUTE

The Odisha government has been caught seriously napping on its border front. In the face of a longstanding dispute over rights on villages across many districts along the border, Andhra Pradesh has gone ahead with rural elections in Kotia panchayat of Koraput district. And when the Odisha government woke up from its slumber, it was already too late. Andhra has not only conducted polls in three villages under the disputed Kotia panchayat but also renamed them and elevated them to panchayats while declaring them part of its Salur block.

The first reaction of the Odisha administration was to transfer the collector of Koraput district where the cluster of 21 disputed villages is located. CM Naveen Patnaik unveiled a slew of projects estimated at ₹18 crore while promising to develop Kotia into a model panchayat. Three days before the election, the state approached the Supreme Court seeking a stay on the polls and initiation of contempt against AP for violation of status quo ordered in 1968 and agreed upon by the two states in 2006. The SC issued notice to Andhra but did not stall the polls. The opposition parties have pounced on the issue and blamed the BJD government for ceding its land to the neighbour. They have sought strong action over the administrative lapses that led to such a situation and demanded an all-party meeting to resolve the issue.

There are no two ways about the fact that the Odisha administration was clueless about AP's plans. The poll notification was issued in March last year but it chose to do nothing. In the past, the AP administration has found its way into these villages by handing freebies and including the people in its welfare schemes. On its part, Odisha has regularly conducted polls in Kotia, which finds place in Pottangi block of Koraput in the Census 2011 report too. However, Kotia is not just about AP's designs; it is also about absence of development in the region. Moreover, it is not the only bordering area where such an issue exists; Gajapati, Ganjam and Rayagada districts have been reporting similar overtures from across the boundary. The issue should not be allowed to fester. The Naveen government must immediately initiate talks with its AP counterpart and sort it out.

Our present teaching system was developed by the British to produce people who would follow orders without question. We need to change this method at least now

TRANSFORM EDU, MAKE STUDENTS LOVE LEARNING

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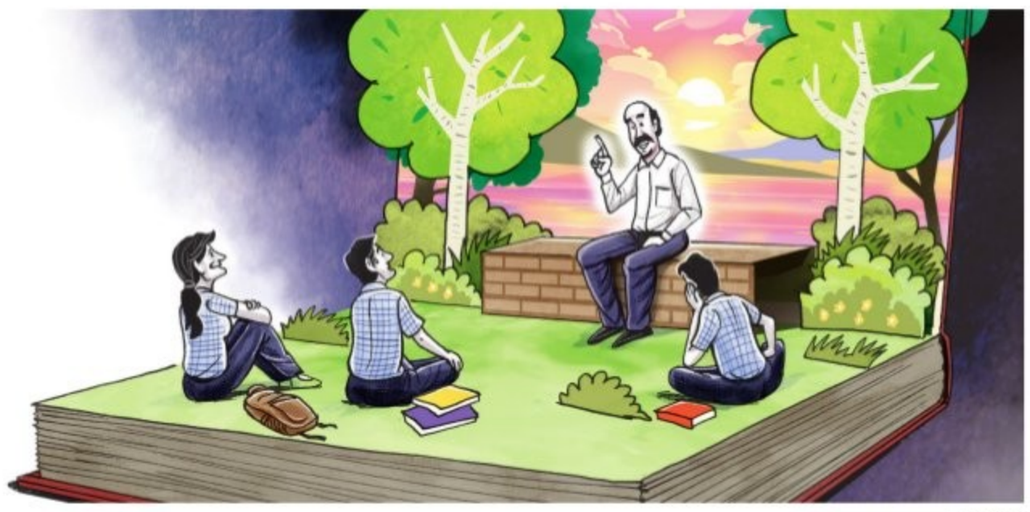

AMIT BANDRE

Have you ever wondered why children and college students admit themselves to coaching classes while they are still studying in school or college? Coaching classes help them get good marks and prepare for entrance tests. It is a huge business. You will also find a professor in an engineering college or school running private tuition classes. Parents are sending their children to these and paying huge amounts.

Why are coaching classes needed? One possibility is that a school or college has a 40-minute period and the teacher/professor has to teach 40-70 children. The teacher-student ratio is not correct. It is natural that the teacher cannot give individual attention and consequently children don't learn. Many costly schools in India have therefore reduced the size of the class to 15-20 students and pay their teachers very high salaries so that they are not enticed to hold coaching classes to earn money. The salaries of the teaching community are low compared to those working in industries. This needs correction.

The second problem is the pedagogy of instruction. For example in a school, one may teach English in the first period, maths in the second, geography in the third, Hindi in the fourth, moral science in the fifth, and so on till it goes to the eighth period. In eight periods, about six different subjects are taught.

Just reflect, is it possible for a child to remember what was taught in the first or second period after the whole day? The school administration knows this and therefore gives homework to reinforce what was taught.

Contrast the method of teaching in a school to a coaching class. The instructor in the coaching class teaches one subject, for example maths or physics, for three hours, makes children solve hundreds of past questions so they are programmed to know the answer. In this case too, the children may not have internalised the learning, but they are surely prepared for the examination. Parents want their children to get good marks because without excellent scores they will not get admission to higher learning.

I have often discussed this matter with the secretary of secondary education of various states and they agree at an intellectual level, appreciate this and believe it needs to change. However, they are reluctant to change it as it will involve a huge transformation.

In ancient India, a *mantra* or a *shloka* was told to be repeated thousands of times so that people learnt it by heart. A student in the *gurukul* system, after learning the *mantra*, was then explained the essence of it part by part, so that he/she could absorb it and learn how to implement it in one's life.

The *guru-shishya parampara* was based on the teacher giving instruction, the student introspecting on what was taught, which led to questions arising in the mind. The *guru* then answered those questions and mentored the student to implement it in one's life. The coaching class, to a certain extent, is implementing this ancient methodology in a different way.

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Our present pedagogy of instruction was developed by the British in India as they wanted to produce people who would follow their orders without questioning and they in turn would promise them a good life. They deliberately advocated teaching to be done in English so that it was easier for them to govern. Those who knew English well were considered by the British as aristocratic, sophisticated, elegant and cultured.

Nobel Laureate Rabindranath Tagore believed that a child can learn much more effectively in the mother tongue than in a foreign language. He set up Shanti Niketan, an unique school in West Bengal that has now evolved into Vishwa Bharati University. He kept the medium of instruction as Bengali, the mother tongue.

Tagore believed that holistic education required students to learn not just subjects, but arts, craft, literature, music, performing arts, ecology, etc., so that the entire personality of the child could develop. He stressed on being with nature and learning in an open atmosphere.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has made an announcement that he has decided to start one university in each state where the language of instruction will be in the mother tongue. It is a tragedy that Tagore's great and unique experimental model of education in Shanti Niketan is being adopted only now, after 73 years.

Another important construct in internalisation of learning is the pedagogy of instruction. In the last 16 years in corporate training, we at Sri Ramakrishna International Institute of Management have used different experiential workshop methodologies to engage the participant in learning using case studies, role plays, films, simulations, etc., to help him/her internalise the learning. Industries are very pleased with this method of learning. However, in the education sector till date, teachers still predominantly use lectures as a teaching strategy.

There is an acute need to train the teachers to use experiential training methods to teach. That will improve internalisation of learning and students will start to love the subjects.

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DEMOCRACY IN INDIAN HISTORY, UTHIRAMERUR AND BEYOND

MADHUSUDHANAN KALAICHELVAN

Architect, serves on the govt-instituted panel for conservation of temples in TN

Any discussion on Indian democracy and elections is incomplete without a mention of the Uthiramerur inscriptions. With Prime Minister Narendra Modi commenting on its significance in his speech at the foundation-laying ceremony of the proposed new Parliament building, Uthiramerur and its inscriptions once again came into the limelight.

This oft-quoted classic inscription is from the times of Parantaka Chola (920 CE). It describes in detail the code of conduct for holding local body elections. We learn from the inscription that for the ease of administration, the settlement was split into 30 wards and governed by a local village assembly. The assembly in turn was constituted into committees for monitoring the water bodies, agricultural land, gold trade, etc.; these offices were overlooked by an annual committee. The aged and experienced among the selected members constituted the annual committee.

The crux of the documentation is the elaborate definition of the eligibility of contestants and this selection process makes the Uthiramerur inscription unique and special. Any resident between 35-70 years of age who is well versed in the Vedas, proficient enough to teach others, owning a minimum-sized plot with a house on it (to ensure his connect with the place!), of commendable repute and clean character, a dutiful taxpayer with no debts, well-disciplined and with administration skills was allowed to express interest in contesting. However, persons from the previous tenure who had not submitted their accounts, those who had accepted a bribe or were known for misappropriation of property, and those who had worked against the interests of the village and caused hindrance to public life were all debarred for life from contesting. More interesting to note is that the immediate relatives of a disqualified person too were not allowed to contest in the village assembly election!

The inscription talks of a fair and transparent election process involving sealed ballot boxes that are received in the main assembly hall in the village square. This structure is a raised platform and has existed since the Pallava period. The western and southern sides of this platform are where the inscription is etched as a royal order. The selection event was to be attended by the young and the old. The names of all contestants etched on individual palm leafs were collected into a pot and brought to the assembly. All priests, with no excuse allowed, had to be present and the eldest one received the ballot picked out by a child from the village. The name on the selected leaf was read aloud and attested by all members of the priest council individually. The candidate thus selected was appointed to the committee that was appropriate for his qualifications for a said tenure of 360 days. This constitution-like framework also had provisions to remove a person in office if he was found guilty. The individual was removed at once and the committee that functioned to "supervise justice", assisted by an arbitrator, would conduct another selection through the prescribed process. Establishing criteria such as age, educational qualifications, economic backing and conduct was the chief feature that made this a welcome model that ensured able and corruption-free governance.

But Uthiramerur had a predecessor! Almost a century earlier, a similar qualification process existed in an ancient settlement near Tirunelveli to appoint members of local courts. Manur, as it is known now, is referred to as Maananilainallur in the ninth century records during the reign of Pandya Parantaka Nedunchadaiyan (8th–9th century CE). Some of the stipulations quoted here are different from the Uthiramerur inscription. To start with, the judges and hearers to be appointed had to be well-versed in the *dharma sastras*, the code book of rights and duties. Next, the Manur policy restricts the hearers from exiting a session in between. The inscription says that the *sravani puguvar* (hearers) shall not be permitted to serve or ordered to serve for a quarter, half or three-fourth of the hearing. While owning a piece of land in the village was a prerequisite for the hearers, it is interesting to note that it should be ancestral and not earned through wedding as a gift. Probably the village grew in size accommodating more migrants and the initial settlers wanted to keep the administration away from outsiders in the interests of the former. The village sabha in Manur from the 9th century CE seems to have enjoyed the privilege of formulating its own court. To put it simply, this reflects on the self-sufficient nature of the settlements that were bound by deep knowledge and disciplined lifestyle and followed a path of righteousness.

At this point, the author would also like to point out an equally important inscription (in fragments) from the temple town of Tirunindravur near Chennai that speaks about local body elections. This 10th century CE inscription, probably etched on a temple column, is now carelessly buried like a fencing stone block near the shed that houses the temple car of the Bhaktavatsala Perumal Koil. Documented in the 20th century, the inscription does not mention the name of the king in whose reign the order was passed. However, going by the palaeography of the document and its similarity with the Uthiramerur inscription in terms of content, one can safely conclude it is from the 10th century CE, Chola era. The inscription speaks about the villagers using the pot ballot system to choose the members for the local court (judges and hearers) and various organisational committees to look into the general administration and development. The selected members serve a tenure of one year, following which, along with immediate family members, they cannot contest the next two terms. A maximum of five such opportunities would be given to an individual in his life-time. Any violation of the said rules shall invite a fine of 25 *kalanju* of gold!

The 10th century CE Tirunindravur inscription that speaks about local body elections. It now lies carelessly buried near the shed that houses the temple car of the Bhakthavatsala Perumal Koil

This half-buried stone column with fragments of an inscription etched a thousand years ago stands witness to the fair and just practices of a past millennium. The author wishes the concerned authorities act immediately to protect this rare and invaluable "fencing stone".

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Timing of removal puzzling

The abrupt removal of the righteous and firm Lt Governor Kiran Bedi, especially when there is an ongoing political problem in Puducherry, and requesting Telangana Governor Tamizhisai Soundararajan to take additional charge is puzzling. The timing is rather surprising.

Srinivasan B, Chennai

For political gains

The tiff between the Puducherry CM and Bedi has been going on for a long time. But her actions were for the benefit of the people and to prevent corruption. It seems she was removed as she was blocking political gains.

O Prasada Rao, Hyderabad

Crucial role in the next govt

Kiran Bedi's removal as Puducherry's Lt Governor is the Centre's new strategy to put an end to the ongoing political skirmish in Puducherry. The BJP national leadership thinks that even if not now, Tamizhisai would play a crucial role in the formation of the next government in the Union Territory.

P Victor Selvaraj, Palayamkottai

Law unto herself

Bedi's removal was long overdue. The abrasive retired police officer was a law unto herself and thought she was the queen of all that she surveyed. Her very appointment as Lt Governor was imprudent and politically incorrect.

C G Kuriakose, Kothamangalam

Don't mix the two

This is with reference to *Do not bring religion into sport* (Feb 17). Religion and sports are two different areas. Mixing the two undermines the very spirit of sports. It is not believable that a cricketer of Wasim Jaffer's stature would mix the two.

Pratap Nayak, Bhubaneswar

Racism in sport

After Jaffer stepped down, there were allegations of communal bias. Sport is a great unifying factor in the world that transcends colour, creed, caste and religion. But even racism seems to have vitiated this atmosphere. Indian players Mohammed Siraj and Jasprit Bumrah faced racial abuse in Australia.

Haribandhu Panigrahi, Tarbha

Did not get much support

Wasim Jaffer is a champion of domestic cricket and with his impeccable behaviour, he has set high standards both on and off the field. It is unfortunate that he has been needlessly dragged into this controversy. What is more painful is that he has not received much support from the cricket fraternity for this attack on him.

R Sivakumar, Chennai

Cricket transcends religion

Sports has the innate ability to unite people in even the most uncompromising situations, irrespective of colour, religion, caste and creed. Religion should not be dragged into the hallowed turf of cricket. Cricket has always transcended religion.

T V Jayaprakash, Palakkad

Our potential in toy market

This is with reference to *Preparing playgrounds for the toys industry* (Feb 17). The article highlights the potential that India possesses to do well in the global toy market. It will also give a fillip to our Atmanirbhar Bharat programme that PM Narendra Modi has been promoting.

A Raveendranath, Aranmula

Shot in arm for Andhra CM

Andhra Pradesh CM Jagan Mohan Reddy winning the SKOCH CM of the Year award is a shot in the arm for his government. He deserves it. A total of 123 welfare projects within the first two years of his maiden innings as CM of a beleaguered state showcased his acumen.

K Nehru Patnaik, Visakhapatnam

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Prakash Javadekar @PrakashJavdekar
It is about time Congress is reminded of its surrender at WTO's Bali summit and how its questionable legacy had only weakened the MSP regime

Subramanian Swamy @Swamy39
MEA stated: Chinese PLA never entered across LAC. But MEA now states: Chinese PLA has started to withdraw from Indian territory. Can both be true?

Randeep Singh Surjewala @rssurjewala
Only a 'lily-livered' ruler can heap 6,300 cases of 'Sedition' in 2 years ! Only the 'limp-wristed' need to stifle opinion by 5,922 cases under UAPA

'Woman has right to put her grievance even after decades'

Judge says an abuser is like any other person who can also be well-respected in society

KANU SARDA @New Delhi

EXPRESSING concern over the increasing incidents of crime and violence against women, the Delhi court said that the woman has a right to put her grievance at any platform of her choice and even after decades of the trauma.

"The time has come for our society to understand the sexual abuse and sexual harassment and its implications on victims. The society should understand that an abusive person is just like rest of the other person and he too has family and friends. He can also be well respected person of the society," Additional Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Ravindra Kumar Pandey said, acquitting journalist Priya Ramani from the criminal defamation case filed by MJ Akbar.

Akbar had taken Ramani to court after she published tweets and an article detailing the sexual harassment which she faced during a job interview in December 1993.

"The victims of the sexual abuse not even speak a word about abuse for many years because sometimes she herself have no idea that she is a victim of abuse. Most of the women who suffer abuse do not speak up about it or against it for simple reason 'The Shame' or the social stigma attached with the sexual -harassment and abuse."

Sexual abuse takes away dignity and self-confidence of a woman, the order states. "The attack on the character of sex-abuser or offender by sex abuse victim, is the reaction of self defence after the mental trauma suffered by the victim regarding the shame attached with the crime committed against her."

"It is shameful that the incidents of crime and violence against women are happening in the country where mega epics such as Mahabarata and Ramayana were written around the theme of respect for women. In Balyamiki Ramayan, the reference of great respect is found, when Prince Laxman was asked to describe about Princesses Sita, he answered that he remembers only her feet as he had never looked beyond that."

The court went on to refer the Aranaya Kand of Ramcharitmanas and the Sabha Parv of Mahabharata to drive home the fact that how there has been a tradition of respecting the women. "The Indian women are capable, pave the way for them to excel, they only require the freedom and equality. The 'glass ceiling' will not prevent the Indian women as a roadlock for their advancement in the society, if equal opportunity and social protection be given to them," it said.

Priya Ramani and her lawyer Rebecca John after the court's verdict | TWITTER

I feel vindicated on behalf of all the women who have ever spoken out against sexual harassment at work place. It was me the victim who had to stand up in the court as an accused. I thank everyone who stood by me

Priya Ramani, senior journalist

It was also challenging with respect to many of the defences we pleaded... When you fight the powerful and you have only truth, the journey becomes relevant to you personally. It is probably the most important case of my career

Rebecca John, Priya Ramani's lawyer

WHAT COURT SAID

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The woman has a right to put her grievance at any platform of her choice and even after decades. It is shameful that the incidents of crime and violence against women are happening in the country where mega epics such as "Mahabarata" and "Ramayana" were written

Time has come for our society to understand sexual abuse and harassment and its implications on victims. Society should understand that an abusive person is just like rest of the other person... He can also be well-respected person of the society.

Women journalists who came out against Akbar hail 'healing' court order

RITWIKA MITRA @New Delhi

ON the day when Priya Ramani was acquitted, other women journalists who had spoken out against M J Akbar said the judgment was "empowering" and "healing".

"This judgment is empowering and one that vindicates women who have faced sexual harassment at workplace. For me, the big takeaway is that the onus is not on women to complain. It acknowledged the culture of sexual harassment. It also acknowledged the stigma attached to speaking out. It believed Priya over M J Akbar in this case. That is a big vindication. Just to hear these words that 'we believe you' is very liberating, healing," said journalist Suparna Sharma, who had spoken out against Akbar for sexually harassing her.

"It will have a very positive effect. Watching Priya and her lawyer is very empowering for women. This judgment has restored our faith...The #MeToo movement was also because women were not sure they will be heard properly, or be trusted. When a judicial court tells you that 'we believe you even if you come to us decades later, we believe your story', it is very encouraging. We hope this helps break silences for women who want to complain."

Journalist Ghazala Wahab, who had recounted how Akbar sexually harassed her, said the judge understood the problems from a woman's perspective. "He understood the fact that it is not possible for a woman to always report her sexual harassment. The judge said that a lot of times women do not understand what they are going through because they do not have the tools to understand what is happening. The responsibility in that case lies with people who are empowered... people who should be helping women who do have adequate tools or adequate voice."

Journalist Saba Naqvi, who had spoken out against Akbar's conduct, tweeted, "#PriyaRamani stands tall conducting herself magnificently."

UK-based journalist Ruth David said it was a historic ruling for MeToo movement. "Priya Ramani and Rebecca John are the giants on whose shoulders we stood through the last 2 plus years," she tweeted.

The foreign delegation arrives at Srinagar's Hazratbal shrine under tight security cover on Wednesday | ZAHOOR PUNJABI

Local officials brief envoys about development in Valley

FAYAZ WANI @Srinagar

NEARLY two months after the holding of first-ever District Development Council (DDC) polls, a group of 24 foreign envoys including those from OIC countries arrived on two-day visit to Jammu and Kashmir to assess the ground situation.

The 24-member delegation, including those from OIC members Bangladesh, Senegal, Malaysia and Tajkistan. led by EU envoy Ugo Astuto arrived in Srinagar airport.

After landing at Srinagar airport, the envoys drove to Degree College Magam in central Kashmir's Bandipora district amid tight security to interact with the newly elected DDC chairman and DDC members, panchayat members, traders and civil society members of Dubam. Top mainstream leaders, including three former chief ministers Farooq Abdullah, Omar Abdullah and Mehbooba Mufti, however, were not invited for interaction.

Budgam DDC chairman Nazir Ahmad Khan told reporters that the interaction focused on developmental issues. "We talked development for which Budgam district has been longing for long. We talked about *roti* (bread), *makan* (house, *bijli* (electricity), *sadak* (road) and *pani* (water). Our interaction remained confined to it."

After the hour-long interaction, the envoys returned to Srinagar and held deliberations with the mayor, DDC chairmen, BDC chairpersons, municipal council chairpersons and elected DDC and panchayat members.

The group of envoys also visited the Hazratbal shrine.

On Thursday, the envoys will visit Jammu and are expected to meet DDC members and representatives of some social organisations. In February last year, the government had arranged a trip for 15 foreign envoys to visit Srinagar to review the situation in J&K.

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Nazir Ahmad Khan, Budgam DDC chairman

More fiscal powers for command & deputy chiefs

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved enhanced delegation of financial powers under capital procurement to deputy chiefs and command chiefs of the armed forces. This will make upgrades, modernisation and refit quicker in the armed forces.

This is the first time that financial powers have been devolved below the vice chief level for specified items of capital nature to meet emerging security challenges, said the Ministry of Defence.

Orders up to ₹200 crore have been delegated to Deputy Chief of Army Staff (CD & S)/ MGS (Master General Sustenance), COM (Chief of Material), Air Officer Maintenance, Deputy Chief Integrated Defence Staff and Additional Director General Indian Coast Guard.

Financial powers up to ₹ 100 crore have been delegated to General Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Flag Officer Commanding-in-Chief, Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief at Services Command and regional commanders, Coast Guard.

There are a total of seven commands each in Army and Air Force and three commands in the Navy. The Coast Guard has two regional commands. The defence ministry had enhanced the financial powers of the three vice chiefs from ₹100 crore to ₹500 crore in 2018.

Both serving and retired officers called it a good step. "Commands will not be required to reach the headquarters. The directorates will be able to process the cases up to the mentioned limits. Earlier, these needed approvals once the cost crossed a certain limit, leading to delays," said an Army officer.

BJP tasks leaders from 4 states to build positive image for farm laws

MANISH ANAND @New Delhi

IN a damage control exercise, the BJP has tasked its leaders from Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Punjab and Rajasthan to counter the negative perceptions regarding the farm laws apart from reaching out to all stakeholders.

The party leaders were asked to meet the political challenge on the ground, and connect with the people with "point by point rebuttal of the claims made by farmers' unions".

Union Home Minister Amit Shah, Agriculture minister Narendra Singh Tomar and BJP chief J P Nadda had held extensive discussions with the party leaders from the four farm agitation affected states.

"The leadership told the BJP leaders that the agitation is political, and attempts are being made to create negative perception about the party and the government," said a senior BJP functionary. "Now that the talks are not happening between the government and the farmer unions, the BJP should make serious attempt on the ground to counter claims made against the farm laws."

The party leaders were asked to ensure that the agitation spots don't get logistic support from the people, he added.

The BJP is falling back on its influential leaders from the farm agitation affected regions after it was assessed that the official explanations weren't received favourably by the people. Incidentally, the BJP took massive hit in the Punjab panchayat polls.

The BJP's earlier outreach to hold *kisan panchayats* was also not found effective to weaken the farm agitation.

BJP MP from Muzaffarnagar Sanjeev Balyan called influential farmers on Wednesday for discussion on the farm laws and the ongoing agitation. Emerging out of the meeting, Balyan said that the farmers in the western Uttar Pradesh would benefit from the farm laws since contract farming is already practiced in the region.

Booklets to counter the claims of the farm unions are being provided to the party leaders, the party functionary said. "Senior leaders, including MPs and MLAs, have to go to the people and hold discussions on the farm laws, and the task shouldn't be left to the party workers only."

Farmers have been camping at Ghazipur border in New Delhi for more than two months for their agitation against three farm laws | PARVEEN NEGI

STRATEGIC

Tour of Russia in Covid times shows special ties: Shringla

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

FOREIGN Secretary Harsh Vardhan Shringla on Wednesday reached Moscow on a two-day visit where he discussed with the Russian leadership all aspects of the strategic bilateral partnership.

"Strengthening the #India-Russia Special & Privileged Strategic Partnership, Foreign Secretary@harshvshringla arrives in #Moscow on a 2-day official visit to hold Foreign Office Consultations," the Indian Embassy in Moscow tweeted.

Shringla noted that the tour during the Covid times is an indication of the importance that India attaches to relations with Russia.

The foreign secretary also met Russian Foreign minister Sergey Lavrov. "Discussions were held on various regional and international issues including cooperation in multilateral fora like the United Nations and the UN Security Council," he said. Shringla extended an invitation to Lavrov to visit India on behalf of External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar.

Later in the day, he addressed an event at the Russian diplomatic academy where he emphasised on the need to keep the momentum of India-Russia relations going despite any impediment.

On Monday, the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) said this year's first visit abroad by the Foreign Secretary to Moscow. "The two sides will review the entire gamut of bilateral relations, including the forthcoming high-level exchanges," it had said.

EXPRESS READ

Sikh pilgrims have to wait for Pakistan visit

New Delhi: The Centre denied permission to 600 Sikh pilgrims intending to visit gurdwaras in Pakistan citing the security and COVID-19 situation in that country. In a letter to the Shiromani Gurdwara Prabandhak Committee, the MHA said that the security situation in Pakistan continues to be adverse and there is a threat to Indian citizens as well.

India records 11,610 fresh Covid cases

New Delhi: With 11,610 fresh cases, India's COVID-19 tally has climbed to 1,09,37,320, while the number of recoveries has surged to 1,06,44,858, the Union health ministry said on Wednesday. The death toll due to the viral disease has gone up to 1,55,913 in the country with 100 more fatalities reported in a 24-hour period, the ministry's data updated at 8 am showed.

India to gift 2L vaccine doses to UN peacekeepers

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

INDIA on Wednesday announced a gift of 2 lakh doses of vaccines to UN Peacekeeping forces. External Affairs Minister **S Jaishankar** made the announcement while delivering an address at the UNSC Open Debate on the fight against Covid.

The minister also made a nine-point suggestion to effectively tackle the pandemic.

The suggestions include persistence with the vaccination drive, collaboration on genomic surveillance and exchange information, effectively addressing public resistance to vaccines, improvement of public health infrastructure and building capacity, stopping 'vaccine nationalism' and promotion of, strengthening of the COVAX to ensure equitable distribution, urgent resumption of immunization programmes among others.

The minister also highlighted five points that were hampering the fight against the pandemic.

Noting that India has been at the forefront of the fight against Covid, Jaishankar said that in the initial stages, India was supplying medical essential to the world and it is now supplying made in India vaccines to 25 nations while 49 more countries will be added soon. "Apart from the two Made in India vaccines which have been approved for emergency use, 30 more vaccines are at various stages of trials in India," he said.

ANTI-CAA SCARF

Following Rahul Gandhi's emphatic assertion that the Congress will not implement CAA if voted to power in Assam, the state party aims to collect 50 lakh Gamochas (Assamese scarf) with messages against the Act

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MONTHLY WAGE OF NOON MEAL WORKERS IN J'KHAND

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	32	18	Mumbai	32	23
Bhopal	30	12	Panaji	30	21
Jaipur	27	14	Patna	28	17
Amritsar	23	10	Lucknow	27	16
Chennai	29	21	Port Blair	31	26
Kolkata	30	21	Imphal	29	07
Srinagar	09	-4	Chandigarh	28	12

Rescuers continue to search for missing persons in Tapovan area, which is proving to be a tough task. On Wednesday, no bodies were found. Over 120 persons are still missing and feared to be dead | PTI

Expert blames Char Dham project

SC grants Centre two weeks to respond to committee chief's letter on Uttarakhand tragedy

VINEET UPADHYAY @ Dehradun

CHAIRMAN of the Supreme Court-appointed committee to monitor the Char Dham Pariyojana (CDP) in Uttarakhand has written to the court blaming deforestation, tunneling, damming of rivers, excessive tourism, hydroelectric projects (HEPs) and widening of around 900 kms of roads under the CDP for disasters like the February 7 flash floods

The Supreme Court on Wednesday granted two weeks to the Centre to submit its response in the matter.

High-Powered Committee (HPC) chairman Ravi Chopra told TNIE: "We have been saying that these hydroelectric projects should not be located in paraglacial zones. We had submitted a report recommending this in 2014 which was not followed. The HPC has observed a lot of problems in the CDP. The Union Ministry of Road Transport and Highways data says as much about landslide-prone spots at almost every 3 km in the CDP."

The Char Dham Pariyojana is an 889-km road widening project connecting the shrines of Badrinath, Kedarnath, Gangotri and Yamunotri. Worth around ₹12,000 crore, the CDP is said to be a dream project of the Prime Minister.

Asserting that he or the HPC is not working against defence concerns of the country, Chopra said: "All that we are saying is that we would like our armed forces to reach safely and quickly to the border if need arises. So, to draw attention to the serious flaws of the project, I have written the letter."

Chopra's letter dated February 13 connects the hydropower projects and the CDP, pointing out 161 "chronic landslide-prone locations and stretches" in 574 km of the CDP. "The cumulative impact of such activities on nearby glaciers cannot be ignored."

Chopra recalled a report submitted to the SC in April 2014 by an expert body highlighting the threat of paraglacial zones, valleys north of the Main Central Thrust emphasizing them as disaster-prone areas. The 2014 report recommended that hydel projects should not be built in these valleys.

Uttarakhand CM TS Rawat chairs a meeting with officials regarding the disaster

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>
> Ravi Chopra, HPC chairman

Ministry counsel denies link

The Supreme Court on Wednesday adjourned hearing in the Char Dham road widening project and gave the Ministry of Defence two weeks to respond to allegations by the chairman of the high-powered committee. Appearing for the ministry, Attorney General KK Venugopal said there is no link. A bench headed by Justice RF Nariman gave the ministry two weeks to file a response.

Killer of seven first woman to be hanged in independent India

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

A woman convicted of axing seven members of her family to death will be hanged in Mathura jail, although the death warrant is yet to be issued and the date is yet to be fixed. She will, in all probability, be the first woman to hang since Independence.

Shabnam, a native of Amroha district in western UP, was convicted of murdering seven members of her family in connivance with her lover Salim. She was tried and awarded the death sentence by all courts. The Supreme Court in 2015 upheld her punishment and the President of India rejected her mercy petition. She is set to be hanged at the solitary cell in Mathura jail.

Pawan Jallad of Meerut, who executed convicts in the Nirbhaya gangrape and murder case, has reportedly made several visits to the cell in Mathura jail and has suggested some modifications.

On April 14, 2008, Shabnam, daughter of a teacher Shaukat Ali of Bawankheda village under Hasanpur police station area of Amroha district, had brutally murdered seven of her family members, including her father, mother and a 10-month-old nephew. She along with her lover Salim first served the family food laced with sedative and when everyone fell unconscious, she axed them to death.

Shabnam, a postgraduate in Geography and English, fell for Salim, an illiterate labourer. Her family was against her relationship with Salim. Shabnam and Salim were arrested by the district police. Salim admitted to his role in the killings. Later, he led the police to recover the axe used in the mass killings. The case went up to the Supreme Court which upheld the death sentence. The President also rejected her mercy petition.

The first female execution cell was built in Mathura jail almost 150 years ago, but no woman has been executed there since Independence. Sources said, a woman from Lucknow called Ramshri was sentenced to death in 1998. But it was commuted to life imprisonment at the last moment after she gave birth to a child.

Mathura jail superintendent Shailendra Kumar Maitreya said the date of hanging has not yet been fixed, but preparations are on. Shabnam would be hanged as soon as the death warrant was issued, he said. The jail superintendent confirmed that the execution would be performed by Pawan Jallad who has repaired the latch in the cell during his visits.

Effigies for cremation, body parts fished out in search of victims

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Dehradun

SEVERED limbs and chunks of flesh fished out of muddy water. That's what the rescue operation has been reduced to, 11 days after the disaster at the hydel power projects. Rescue teams have found body parts in the rivers Rishiganga, Dhauliganga, Alaknanda, their tributaries and other rivulets. In some cases, bodies were found over 150 kms away from the disaster epicentre.

So far, 58 bodies and 24 body parts have been recovered. Nothing was found on Wednesday. For family members of the missing, DNA tests are the only hope. Many are cremating effigies of family members as a symbolic last rite. "Effigies are cremated in the Jaunsari community if bodies are not found. We did that following our tradition, knowing that it's impossible to find the bodies," said Sanjay Chauhan of Panjiya village.

As operations entered the 10th day, identifying bodies and body parts is becoming the challenge. "It's a harrowing sight. Bodies are decomposed and disfigured. Family members are identifying them by articles worn, like watches, jewelery, belts and clothes in some cases," said Navneet Bhullar, Commandant of the Uttarakhand State Disaster Response Force.

Unidentified bodies and body parts are being disposed off 72 hours after recovering them. Before that, officials are collecting DNA samples for identification in the future. Till Wednesday, 53 bodies and 20 body parts have been disposed off after performing last rites.

EXPRESS READ

Former minister Captain Satish Sharma no more

NEW DELHI: Congress leader and former minister Captain Satish Sharma died in Goa on Wednesday. He was 73 and suffering from cancer. "His last rites would be performed in Delhi on Friday," his son Samir said. A close aide of former PM Rajiv Gandhi, Sharma was Union Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas from 1993 to 1996. He was a professional commercial pilot and three-time Lok Sabha MP.

MP ROAD TRAGEDY

Driver recollects strange sound, families blame jam

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bhopal

A day after an overcrowded private bus plunged into a canal in Madhya Pradesh's Sidhi district and killed at least 51 persons, what caused the tragedy remains a mystery.

While primary probe suggests human error, the arrested bus driver claims there was an abnormal sound in the bus, after which it automatically sped into the canal.

Balendu Vishwakarma, who was arrested from Satna district, said: "Before I could understand what happened, the bus powered into the canal. A girl got out of the bus in the water and I followed her. Villagers took us out of the canal using ropes. Had I remained at the spot, I would have been lynched. I had no option, but to flee," Balendu said.

According to the state's deputy transport commissioner AK Singh, who is in Sidhi to probe the mishap, the probe has just begun. "Initial findings and that the bus was overcrowded suggests that prima facie the bus driver was at fault," he said

However, families of the victims feel long traffic jams on the Sidhi-Satna route could also be the reason. "Since four-five days, there was traffic jam, which forced the driver to take another route. Had the jam been cleared, the bus wouldn't have run on the alternate route and the mishap might not have happened," said Anil Kumar Gupta, who lost his wife Pinky and toddler son Atharwa in the tragedy. The Gupta family told the same to MP Chief Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan, who visited their house on Wednesday.

"Please ensure that the jam on Chhuiya Ghati, which has been a regular feature for years, is permanently addressed and no future tragedy takes place due to it," the bereaved family appealed to the chief minister.

State Congress president Kamal Nath blamed it on the state government's negligence. "Buses lugging people like animals are running sans equipment like speed governors, but no checking & penalising is happening," he tweeted.

Bengal BJP follows TMC strategy, ropes in bunch of actors

PRANAB MONDL @ Kolkata

TAKING a cue from the trend in Bengal's electoral practice set by Trinamool Congress a decade ago, BJP has also stated strengthening its team of silver-screen figures. On Wednesday, the party inducted seven Bengali film and serial actors, claiming that they are making inroads into Bengal's culture and entertainment circle.

BJP sources said the move is aimed at countering TMC's strategy, which proved successful in previous elections. TMC started this at the 2011 Assembly elections, when popular actress Debasree Roy defeated CPI(M) heavyweight Kanti Ganguly. In the 2014 Lok Sabha polls, as many five actors — Moon Moon Sen, Dipak Adhikari (Dev), Sandhya Roy, Shatabdi Roy, Tapas Pal — emerged winners. In the 2019 general elections, TMC found MPs in Mimi Chakrabarty and Nusrat Jahan.

Actor Yash Dasgupta (2nd L) joins hands with BJP leaders in Kolkata | PTI

Minister & two others injured in bomb attack

Baharampur (WB): West Bengal's minister of state for labour Jakir Hossain was seriously injured after unidentified attackers hurled bombs at him at a railway station in Murshidabad district on Wednesday night, police said. At least two other persons with him were injured in the incident.

BJP had also roped in figures like Locket Chatterjee in the past before getting Rudranil Sengupta recently. As a continuation of that, the party welcomed Yash Dasgupta and six others on Wednesday. Dasgupta is known to be a close friend of TMC MP Nusrat.

"We will pay TMC back in their own coin in the upcoming election. In some of the seats, TMC was also surprised after actors defeated heavyweight contestants. We are also going to field actors in the upcoming elections," said a BJP leader, unwilling to be identified.

Nitish vocal again on reservation

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ Patna

BIHAR Chief Minister **Nitish Kumar** has reiterated his demand for a census on the basis of caste and reservation for the backward. HAM, part of the ruling NDA alliance in Bihar, has called for reservations in the public and private sectors as well as the judiciary.

Speaking to the media after interacting with a select group of 100 party workers on Wednesday, Kumar said: "Only through a caste-wise census can we know how many people belong to which caste. Making policies for them will become easier if this is done. We have been making this demand for a long time. This used to happen in the past, but stopped after Independence."

He claimed that for the caste-wise census, a unanimous resolution was passed by the Bihar Assembly and Legislative Council and sent to the Central government earlier.

Asked about the ideal policy for reservation, Kumar said: "I don't know what the discussion is over reservation, but the provision will remain the same. In Bihar, Karpoori Thakur's formula has been implemented."

Taking to Twitter, HAM chief Jitan Ram Manjhi said that reservation should remain until everyone gets equal status in the society. "We believe as well as demand that there should be reservation in private sectors as well as in the judiciary."

Arrested PFI duo in ATS custody for interrogation

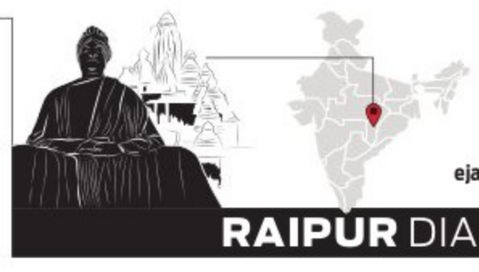
EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Lucknow

THE Anti-Terror Squad (ATS) of Uttar Pradesh Police has lodged a fresh FIR against the two PFI members — Anshad Badruddin and Firoz Khan — invoking sections pertaining to treason, on Wednesday. As per the sources, UP ATS produced the PFI activists in a court in Lucknow and took them in custody remand for a week. Other sections slapped on them include UAPA, criminal conspiracy, Arms Act and Explosives Act.

ATS sleuths are also planning to take the remand of recently arrested CFI general secretary K Rauf Sharif from Kerala over his alleged role in fomenting unrest in the state during the Hathras gangrape and murder case. It may be recalled that five PFI members are already in Mathura jail, allegedly for fomenting trouble in the state during the infamous case.

No billing at Balaji hospital on birth of baby girl

Shri Balaji Super Speciality Hospital in Raipur has declared that it will offer free medical care and post-treatment assistance on the birth of baby girls in the nursing home as a way to share the joy of parents. "The birth of a girl child should be seen as an occasion to celebrate. The parents should perceive the newly born girl as a bliss," said Dr Devendra Naik, medical director. Many believe the move would discourage the practice of female foeticide and would strengthen the 'Beti Bachao' campaign. Shri Balaji hospital is central India's biggest hospital with 1,050 beds and has a modern tertiary care centre.



RAIPUR DIARY

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CRPF DG flags off bike-based ambulances

CRPF Director General A P Maheshwari flagged off the specially customised and developed bike-based ambulances 'Rakshita', created by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), to be used in the Maoist-affected areas of Chhattisgarh. It will ensure quicker medical aid to injured security personnel and patients in remote areas of the state. The Director General also inaugurated the administrative block of the Group Centre (GC) in Raipur. A full-fledged GC has been established in 128 acres of land at Aarang, abut 35 km from the state capital. The modern composite building has various facilities and also has a stores complex. It may be noted that 14 out of the 28 districts in the state are believed to have the presence of the Red rebels.

IMA continues stir against 'Mixopathy'

The Indian Medical Association (IMA) members in the capital of Chhattisgarh are continuing their hunger strike against 'Mixopathy' plan of the Centre. Denouncing the concept advocating convergence of modern medicine system with the traditional ayurveda, homoeopathy and Unani, the IMA asserted that every system of medicine has its own separate fundamental principles and they cannot be mixed. Through their sustained struggle, the IMA wants to caution the risks of 'Mixopathy' and seeks withdrawal of its notification and also, spreading this awareness among the masses.

Adani unit wins excellence award

Adani Enterprises Limited (AEL) received 'Environment Protection' and 'Industry Sector Safety' Greentech distinguished award in recognition of its work under the Parsa East and Kanta Basan open cast coal mine project in north Chhattisgarh. The government has authorised the project to AEL under the practice of Mine Developer-cum-Operator (MDO) system, which is a pure contractual arrangement. AEL reiterated its commitment in maintaining the highest level of safety and environmental protection at the project sites.

IN THE COURT OF THE PRL. CITY CIVIL JUDGE, AT BANGALORE (CCH-13)
P & S.C. No. 44/2021

BETWEEN: Smt. Parvithramma, aged about 89 yrs, W/o Late. N. Nagappa, R/at No. 141/13/1-3, 3rd Block east, 13th Main Road, 27th Cross, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560011 **...Petitioner**

AND: NIL ...Respondent

NOTICE

WHEREAS the Petitioner above named has filed an Application under Section 372 of the Indian Succession Act 1925 for grant of Succession Certificate in her favour in respect of the Schedule Property, which belongs to the Petitioner's husband namely Late N. Nagappa, who died on 04/01/2017.

Interested parties desirous of being heard in the matter should enter appearance in person or by a duly instructed pleader before this court on **03.03.2021 at 11:00 A.M** to show cause against the petition, failing which the matter will be heard and determined exparte.

SCHEDULE

All the estate of the deceased namely Sri N. Nagappa & benefits of his account No. 1315172000002749 & the associated fixed deposits in The Karur Vysya Bank Ltd. Jayanagar Branch, Bangalore-560011.

Given under my hand and seal of this court on 21.01.2021.

By Order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioner: **K.M. BASAVARAJ & RAVINDRA GOUD .P,** Advocates
#202, GBS Lavelle, 3rd Cross, Lavelle Road, Bengaluru-560002.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The General Public is hereby notified that Sri. GirishBabu S/o. Sri.M. Gangappa, Residing at Mulur Village Carmelaram Post, Sarjapura Hobli, Bengaluru-560035, is the present owner of the schedule property. My client Sri.GirishBabu. M, S/o. Sri. Gangappa, intends to purchase the Schedule property from Sri. GirishBabu.

If any person or persons or financial institution or Bank has any claim over the schedule property or any person or persons claim any right, title or interest, over the schedule property, the same may be lodged with the undersigned within ten days from today, along with relevant documents, failing which, it will be presumed that the schedule property is free from any such claim and my client would proceed to purchase the Schedule Property and any claim received thereafter will not bind my client and would not be considered by my client.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the residential Site bearing No. 10, measuring East to West : 30 feet, and North to South : 40 feet, totally measuring 1200 Sq.,ft., formed out of the land in Sy. No. 107, bearing BBMP Katha No. 804/373/10, situated at Allalasandra Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk and bounded with:

AND BOUNDED ON :

East by : Site no. 11; West by : Site belongs to Sri. Anjinappa; North by : 20 feet Road; South by : Site No. 10A belongs to Sri. AppannaGowda.

Bangalore
Dated: 17/02/2021

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IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE, AT BENGALURU (CCH-32)
F.D.P. No. 77/2020

Petitioners: Sri Nagaraju & 2 others, S/o Narasimhaiah, aged about 44 years, R/at Kaikondrahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk. **-V/s-**

Respondents: Sri Narasimahaiah & others

NOTICES TO THE RESPONDENTS No.4 to 7, 9 to 11, 14 to 19, 21, 22, 24, 27, 30 AND 44 to 49 U/O 5 RULE 20 OF CIVIL PROCEDURE CODE BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

R4. Smt. Chandramma, W/o Srinivas, aged about 46 years. **R5. Smt. Shanthamma,** W/o Krishna, aged about 39 years. **R6. Smt. Lalitha,** W/o Seenappa, aged about 37 years. **R7. Smt. Nagamma,** W/o Appayappa, aged about 62 years. **R9. Smt. Lakshmamma,** W/o Ramaiah, aged about 57 years, R/at Dommasandra Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk. **R10. Smt. Jayamma,** W/o Lakshmaiah, aged about 65 years. **R11. Smt. Savithramma,** W/o Annayappa, aged about 53 years, **all are R/at** Kaikondrahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk. **R14. Sri Madanlal Baldota,** S/o Gendalalji Baldota, aged about 59 years, R/at No. 35/4, 3rd Floor, Ramannapet, J.M. Road Cross, Bengaluru-560002. **R15. Sri Shivaprasad,** S/o B.C. Krishnagowda, aged about 76 years, R/at No.55, 'B' 7th 'B' Cross, 4th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-560034. **R16. Smt. Parvathi Rajam Ramaswamy,** W/o N.S. Ramaswamy, aged about 76 years, R/at No.870, 17th Main Road, 6th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-17. **R17. Smt. Susan Paul,** W/o Sri George, C.A. Abraham, aged about 48 years. **R18. Sri George C. Abraham,** S/o G.V. Abraham, aged about 54 years. **17 and 18 are R/at** No.240, 18th Main, 6th Block, Koramangala, Bengaluru-95. **R19. Smt. Anita Srivatsa,** W/o Srinivasa, aged about 54 years, R/at No. 42, Venkatesh Nilaya, 1st Main, 2nd Cross, Ittamadu Layout, Banashankari 2nd Stage, Bengaluru-85. **R21. Sri Nandakumar S Narel,** S/o Sharanappa Narel, aged about 39 years, R/at No. 748/E, (New No.1) 1st A Cross, Vinayakanagar A Block, Konena Agrahara, Old Airport Road, Bengaluru-17. **R22. Sri Anadi Gaur,** S/o Sri Avadhesh Bahadur Singh, aged about 28 years, R/at Anupam Nursing Home, Kashinagar, Kheri Road, Lakshmipura Kheri, Uttar Pradesh-262701. **R24. Sri Manibushan,** S/o Late Madan Mohan Prasad, aged about 55 years, R/at FD-75, HAL Senior Officer Enclave, Old Madras Road, C.V. Raman Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560093. **R27. Sri Srinivasa Rao Jasti,** S/o Sri B. Chenchi Reddy, aged about 38 years, R/at No. 202, LNS Villa, 5th C Cross, Kodihalli Main Road, Bengaluru-08. **R30. Sri S. Raja Sekhara Reddy,** S/o S. Raja Reddy, aged about 39 years, R/at LIG-104, Phase-1, Dharma Reddy Colony, KPHB Colony, behind Rithu Bazar, Andhra Pradesh-72. **R44. Sri Pramod Kumar Sethi,** S/o late Sri Chand Prakash Sethi, age 57 years. **R45. Mrs. Tara Sethi,** W/o Sri Pramod Kumar Sethi, aged about 67 years, No. 44 to 45 are R/at No. 447C, 12th Main, 1st A Cross, Koramanagala, 4th Block, Bangalore-560034. **R46. Mrs. Priya Rama Subban,** D/o Sri K.R. Ramasubban, W/o Srikrishnan Shivasubramaniyan, aged 47 years. **R47. Sri Srikrishnan Shivasubramaniyan** S/o. Sri Shiva Subramaniyan, aged 50 years. **No.46 & 47 R/at.** AB43, Anna Nagar, Chennai-40. **R48. Smt. C. Deepika,** D/o. Sri K.S. Chandrappa aged about 38 years **R49. Smt. C. Komala,** D/o. Sri. K.S. Chandrappa, aged about 36 years Sl.No.48 and 49 R/at Marathahalli Post, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore-560037.

WHEREAS, the Petitioner above named has filed the above Petition seeking for Final Decree Proceedings passed in O.S. No. 1541/2013 dated 29.01.2020 against all of you. You are the Respondents are hereby directed to appear before this Hon'ble Court, either in person or through the pleader on **11.03.2021 at 11.00 AM** in forenoon, to defend the above case, failing which the matter will be heard ex-parte.

SCHEDULE

Item. No.1: The Land bearing Sy.No.10/3, measuring 0.07 guntas, situated at Kaikondrahalli Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk and bounded on:
East by: Property of Venkatachalappa, **West by:** Ambalipura Yelle, **North by:** Bangalore Sarjapura Road, **South by:** Property of Nanjappa.

Item No.2: The land bearing Sy.No.19, measuring 0.18 guntas situated at Ambalipura Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk and bounded on:
East by: Property of Kavalappa. A, **West by:** A Portion of Sy.No.90, **North by:** Road, **South by:** Sy. No.13 & 12.

Item No.3: The Land bearing Sy.No.22, New Sy.No.22/2, 22/3 and 22/4, in all measuring 0.3 acres 20 guntas, situated at Kasavanahalli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk and bounded on:
East by: Kaikondrahalli border, **West by:** Chudasandra Road, **North by:** Property of Gundappa and, **South by:** Property of Papaiah.

Given under my hand and seal of the court on 10.02.2021.

By Order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioners: **K.C. VISHWANATH, SATISH .D, P.V. RAGHUPATH,** Advocates
No.12/2, IIIrd Floor, 10th Cross, Banappa Park Road, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-2.

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NIT.No:610000752/APGENCO/2021

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UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT
(Purchase Division)

No.198757/Purchase-Asst-A2 Dated:15-02-2021

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Online tenders are invited for the purchase of 240 MT 60 GSM 84 cm Reel Paper to Pareeksha Bhavan and Publication Division (e-tender ID 2021_UoC_414395_1), For details log on **www.etenders.kerala.gov.in**

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Government of Karnataka
Office of the Director of Printing, Stationery Publications
R.V. College Post, 8th Mile, Mysore Road, Bengaluru - 560 059, Phone: 080-28484515/080-28484518

Notification No.: DPS26PUR(C)2020-21/PALLET/CALL-2 Date: 16-02-2021

BRIEF TENDER NOTIFICATION
(through e-procurement)

Online tenders are invited for the **Supply of Ploymer Pallets.** Estimated total value of the tender is about Rs.5.00 lakhs. Last date for submission of tender : 03-03-2021, 17.30 hrs. For details please visit website **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in** For any further clarifications the above office may be contacted.

Sd/- Director

DIPR/DDU/2838/AKAR/2020-21

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(Public Works, Ports and Inland Water Transport Department)
Executive Engineer, Chikkaballapura Division, Chikkaballapura.

Short-Term Tender postponement Notification
I.F.T. No.: 16-4/2020-21 Date: 16.02.2021
(For Road Works-As per Standard Bidding Document K.W.-4 in two cover system)

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, as per Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000, the Undersigned invites Tenders in two cover system through e-procurement portal from eligible Contractors registered in PWD. Those interested in participating in the tender can submit the tenders from **18.02.2021 to 26.02.2021 up to 4.00 pm. (1)** Last date for objections-doubts and clarifications: **19.02.2021 (at 3.00 pm during office hours). (2)** Last date for submission of filled tenders: **26.02.2021 (up to 4.00 pm). (3)** Date of opening technical bid: **01.03.2021 (at 11.00 am). (4)** Financial bid will opened after approval of technical bid. For more information visit website **www.kpwd.gov.in** or contact this office during office hours.

Sd/- Manjunath L.N, Executive Engineer, P.W.D. Chikkaballapura Division, Chikkaballapura.

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Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Department
Office of The Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water
Development Division, Chikkaballapura-562 101.
Phone No.: Office: 08156-270427,
Fax: 08156-270427 e-mail: eemidcbpura@gmail.com

No: EMC/T.S./A.E./Tender Notice No.: 17/2020-21 Dt: 05.02.2021

Short-Term Tender Notification

On behalf of the Governor of Karnataka, Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Division, Chikkaballapura invites Tenders through e-procurement in single cover system as per e-procurement and Karnataka Transparency in Public Procurement Act 2000 subject to Terms and Conditions in Standard Tender Document for works, subject to KW 1 & 2 Rules from eligible Contractors of class 1, 2 & 3 (Minor Irrigation) registered in Public Works Department of Government of Karnataka. **Head of account:** 2702 Repairs and management of M.I. Lakes (Management). Taluk and No. of Works. **Chikkaballapura-02. Gowribidanuru-09. Shidlaghatta-03. Chintamani-05. Bagepalli-05.** Itemwar Tenders are invited for the works of the Taluks mentioned above. E.M.D. Amount as in e-procurement, Last date for submission of Tender: **22.02.2021 up to 4.00 PM.** Date of opening the Tender: **25.02.2021 after 11.00 PM (if possible).** If there are any changes in the Tender amount for Works or E.M.D. the amounts in the Bid Document of e-procurement is final. Tenders are invited with reservation for contractors belonging to General, Scheduled Caste and Schedules Tribe. Conditions for the works can be obtained from e-procurement website **(viz., http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in)** Tender rates should be quoted excluding 12% GST. Further information can be availed through ph. No. of this office-08156-270427 and e-procurement helpline no. 91-8046010000 and 91-8022631200.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Minor Irrigation and Ground Water Development Division, Chikkaballapura

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Original Sale deed bearing no. 7973/2012-13, dated 15th November, 2012 executed by Sri. Thippanna & others represented by GPA holder Mr. A. Ravinder Reddy & M/s. Reddy Structures Private Limited in favour of **Mr. Nagendra Shivaswamy** with respect to Flat bearing no - 513, 4th Floor, in Block Lavender, in the building known as "Mahaveer Lakes", situated at Sy. 57/6, Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South - 560060 (herein after referred to as Schedule Property) has been misplaced from the custody of Axis Bank Limited, Bangalore.

Any person/s who has /have any claim, right and interest in the said documents/s and/or any person/s coming into possession of the aforesaid document is having knowledge of its whereabouts are hereby requested to intimate the undersigned forthwith about the same for examination and such further action as may be advised.

In the event the undersigned or M/s. Axis Bank receives no information within seven days from date hereof, Original Sale deed bearing no. 7973/2012-13, dated 15th November, 2012 executed by Sri. Thippanna & others represented by GPA holder Mr. A. Ravinder Reddy & M/s. Reddy Structures Private Limited in favour of **Mr. Nagendra Shivaswamy** with respect to Flat bearing no - 513, 4th Floor, in Block Lavender, in the building known as "Mahaveer Lakes", situated at Sy. 57/6, Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South - 560060, shall be treated as irretrievably lost and request shall be made to Senior Sub - Registrar of Assurances at Kengeri, Bangalore for issuing a certified true copy of the document lost, which will be treated as the original one for all the intent and purposes.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Flat bearing no - 513, 4th Floor, in Block Lavender, in the building known as "Mahaveer Lakes", measuring Super built up area of 1009 Sq. ft. along with One covered car parking space situated at Sy. 57/6, Kengeri Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South - 560060.

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Jai Patil, Partner
J.S. Advocates & Legal Consultants
No. 56/1-1, 4th Main, 18th Cross, Malleshwaram West, Bengaluru - 560055.
Contact: 080-42199557, mail@jslex.net
Date: 03/02/2021 Place: Bangalore.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the public in general that our clients **Sri. Vadiraj. P, Sri. Narasimha Rao Paramali, Smt. Niyothi Murgodand Smt. Deepa D Grampurohit** all residents of Plot no 22, Sri Koppara Lakshmi Narasimha Nilaya, ,3rd Cross, Sai Nagar, Chikkabettahalli, Vidyaranyapura Post Bangalore -560097 are intending to purchase the immoveable property comprising of residential site bearing house of earlier Western Portion of Khatha No. 54/3B1/1/1, issued by the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, formed out of converted land bearing Survey No. 54/3 B1 (Old No. 54/3B) conversion Official Memorandum Order No. ALN (NAY)SR 97/2010-11 Dated: 21-01-2011 issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore, Situated at Vidyaranyapura Sub-Division, Ward No. 11, Kuvempu Nagar, Jarakabande kaval village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Measuring East to West 32' 0" (Thirty-Two Feet), North to South 39' 0" (Thirty-Nine Feet), totally 1248 sq.ft (One Thousand Two Hundred and Forty-Eight Square Feet) comprising of 7 squares RCC roofed house constructed in the first floor and 10 squares RCC roofed house constructed in the second floor of Granite Flooring, doors and windows of Honne Wood, Main Door of Teak Wood with all the civic amenities bounded on East by Property bearing Khatha No, 54/3B1/1; West by Private Property; North by30 ft (Thirty Feet) wide Road; South byIndian Air Force Compound(hereinafter referred to as Schedule Property) from its owner Sri. Srinivasan Gokulan, Son of Sri. S. Srinivasan, aged about 41 years, residing at No. B-51 B- Cross Pipeline Road, Bahubali Nagar, Jalahalli Post, Bangalore- 560013.

We hereby call upon any person(s) having any right, title, interest or any claim of whatsoever nature in the Schedule Property or having any objection to the proposed sale transaction, to send such claim or objection in writing along with relevant documentary evidence to the address mentioned below within 15 days from this day failing which my client will presume that there are no claims or objections in respect of the Schedule Property and therefore shall proceed with the proposed sale transaction.

Contact Address:
N K LAW CHAMBERS
Old No. 03, New No.06, 2nd Floor, D N Ramaiah Layout, 1st Main, Seshadripuram, Palace Guttahalli, Bangalore – 560 020
E-mail: nikhilkurgod@nklaw.in

GREATER CHENNAI CORPORATION
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P.D.C.No.P2/1323/2020

SHORT e RE-TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited by the Superintending Engineer / Parks for the following work as per details furnished below:

Major improvement to existing playground and formation of new indoor Badminton Court, Tennis Court, Skating rink and other sports field including necessary lighting arrangement at Canal Bank Road, Kotturpuram abutting Patrick College in Dn-175, Zone-13
Approx. value of work in **Rs. 485.00 Lakhs** - E.M.D. : **Rs. 4,85,000/-**
For more information see www.tntenders.gov.in and www.chennaicorporation.gov.in
Due Date and Time for Submission of Tender : **04.03.2021** upto **3.00 pm.**
Tender opening Date and Time: **05.03.2021 @ 3.30 pm**
Pre bid meeting Date and Time: **25.02.2021 @ 3.00 pm.**

DIPR/1203/Tender/2021 **Superintending Engineer / Parks**

(Public Works Department)
Office of the Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Madhugiri

No:EE/PWD/Dvn/AE-2/Tender/2020-21 Dated: 16.02.2021

Postponement of Short term Tender
Tender ref no: 27/2020-21

On behalf of Governor of Karnataka, The Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Madhugiri, invites tenders from eligible Tenderers, for the work in the above tender ref. The tender for the work of Sl No.2 & 3 will be postponed due to some technical reasons. Tender documents may be downloaded from the e-procurement portal of the Govt. of Karnataka Viz.http://eproc.karnataka.gov.in. Tenders must be submitted through e-procurement portal on or before **24.02.2021** up to 4.00pm. (Approx. amount for the work is Rs.125.76Lakhs) The Technical bids will be opened on **25.02.2021** (After 4.15 pm). and Financial bid will be opened on **01.03.2021.** Further any other information can be seen from the e-procurement portal or can be had from the undersigned.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, PWD Division, Madhugiri

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GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU
HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT
NABARD & RURAL ROADS CIRCLE, SALEM - 1.
RECALL TENDER NOTICE
Tender Notice No.25 / 2020-21 / SDO / Dated : 15.02.2021.

For and on behalf of Governor of Tamilnadu percentage tender through online only will be received upto **08.03.2021 11.00** hours (as per Server System Clock) by the Superintending Engineer (H) NABARD & Rural Roads Salem Circle Upgradation of Panchayat and Panchayat Union Roads (4 Works) in Harur (H) NABARD and Rural Roads Sub-Division **(Package No.31)** under Upgradation of Panchayat Union Roads / Panchayat Roads to Other District Roads pertaining Dharmapuri (H) NABARD & Rural Roads Division.

Details of works, approximate value of works, EMD, availability of tender documents and all other details are available from the Government web site **http://tntenders.gov.in.** If any changes / Corrections etc in the tender, it will be published on the above website(s) only.

SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER (H)
NABARD AND RURAL ROADS CIRCLE, SALEM-1.

DIPR/1199/TENDER/2021

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GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU - **PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**
Building Organisation - Form of Contract : Lumpsum
Tender Notice No.44 / VLR - CLE / 2020 - 2021 / Dated : 15.02.2021

For and on behalf of Governor of Tamil Nadu Sealed Tenders are invited by the Superintending Engineer, PWD., Buildings (Construction and Maintenance) Circle, Vellore -1 for the following work from the Class I Contractors registered in Public works Department of Government of Tamil Nadu, upto **3.00 PM** as per office clock on **23.03.2021** under Two cover system (Pre qualification and Price tender). The Prequalification cover (Cover I) alone will be opened on **23.03.2021** at **3.30 PM** by the Superintending Engineer in presence of the Tenderers or their authorised agents.

Sl. No.	Name of Work	Approximate value of work including GST (Rs.in lakhs)	Amount of Earnest Money Deposit (in Rupees)	Period of Completion (including monsoon period)
1.	Construction of Indoor Stadium at Yelagiri Hills in Thiruppathur District.	451.00	2,35,500/-	12 Months

The E.M.D. remittance and other details can also be available from the Govt. designated website **(http://www.tenders.tn.gov.in)** and Office of the Superintending Engineer, PWD., Building (C&M) Circle, Vellore - 632 001. The tender schedule can be downloaded at free of cost from the above website, upto **22.03.2021 - 5.45 pm.**

Superintending Engineer, PWD., Buildings (C&M) Circle, Vellore-1.

DIPR/ 1210 /TENDER/2021

Email ID : eephdsbp@gmail.com

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, P.H. DIVISION, SAMBALPUR.
NOTICE INVITING TENDERS
NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement

C-476 **Bid Identification No. EEPHSBP-11/2020-21 Dt. 12.02.2021**

01	Name of the Work	: 2 nos. Works.
02	Type of Bid.	: Two Bid System
03	Estimated Cost	: Rs. 692.84 lakhs to Rs. 990.83 lakhs
04	Class of Contractor	: Manufacturer
05	Period of Completion	: 60 (Sixty) days.
06	Date & Time of availability of bid document in the portal	: From 11.00 AM of dt. 22.02.2021 to 5.00 PM of 08.03.2021
07	Last date / time of receipt of bids in the portal	: 5.00 PM of 08.03.2021
08	Date & Time of opening of tender	: At 11.30 AM of 09.03.2021
09	Name and Address of the Officer Inviting Bid	: Executive Engineer, P.H. Division, Sambalpur, Brooks' Hill, Near Stadium, At/Po- Motijharan, Dist- Sambalpur-768 001.

Further details can be seen from the web site http://tenders.ori.nic.in or www.tendersorissa.gov.in

Sd/- Executive Engineer, P.H. Division, Sambalpur OIPR-13026/11/0013/2021

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Office of the Chief Engineer, Civil Investigation &Construction Central – Thiruvananthapuram

Tender ID: 2020_KSEB_403245 _ 1*Chinnar Small Hydro Electric Project (24 MW /76.45 mu) – Phase II – Construction of Power House, Valve House, Tail Race, Switch Yard and Hydro Mechanical and Electro Mechanical works
***PAC : Rs.108,00,00,000/- *Extended Last Date : 17-03-2021**
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NOTICE INVITING TENDER

Tender No.	Material Description	Due Date
202113 005152	Upgradation of Oracle E-Business Suite from version 12.1.3 to 12.2.10 and database from version 12 C to 19 C	10.03.2021
202113 005274	Filler Grade Precipitated Calcium Carbonate (in Jumbo Bags)	06.03.2021
202113 004649	Pigment Dyes for PM/C No. 1,2&3 a) Violet Dye b) Blue Dye	12.03.2021
Email	202113005152 - purchase.inst@tnpl.co.in 202113005274 & 4649 - purchase.rawmatl@tnpl.co.in	

General Terms & conditions, Specifications, Qty., Tender Fee, EMD are available in Tender document at our websites: **www.tnpl.com/ www.tenders.tn.gov.in**

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No. KST/EE/TK/JE/616/2020-21 Date: 16.02.2021

E-PROCUREMENT TENDER NOTIFICATION NO. 09/2020-21

Tenders are invited in E-procurement mode from registered KPWD / CPWD / MES / Contractors for the following work. Tender Notification and further details for the work can be downloaded from **18.02.2021** free of cost from the e-procurement website: **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in**

Sl No.	Name of the work	Amount put to tender (in Lakhs)	EMD (in Rs.)	Last date for submission of tenders
1	Construction of Staff Quarters at Chitradurga	106.24	2,00,000/-	23.03.2021

More details can be obtained from the Office of Executive Engineer, KSRTC, CE Division, Tumakur Bus Stop, Tumakur. during working hours on all working days.

Sd/-, Executive Engineer, KSRTC CE Division, Tumakuru

DIPR/DDU/LC/2844/2020-21

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Whereas, the Authorized Officer of **Bank Of Baroda, High School Junction Branch, Kohima, Nagaland State** under the securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers conferred under Sec.13(2), read with Rule-3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notice dated **03.10.2019** calling upon the Borrower/Mortgagor/Guarantor **1) M/s. Speedwell, Proprietor Mr. Impa Lungkumer,** S/o. Masatuba Longkumer, House No. 1, Block No. 1, Lower Chandmari Colony, Below Cross Wonder Church, Kohima, Nagaland State – 797001 **Guarantor: 1) Mr. Tenjuk Aier,** S/o. Wati Aier, House No. 123, Diphupar, Dimapur Sadar, Dimapur, Nagaland State – 797112 **2) Mrs. Yangtila Longkumer,** W/o. Mr. Impa Lungkumer, S/o. Masatuba Longkumer, House No. 1, Block No. 1, Lower Chandmari Colony, Below Cross Wonder Church, Kohima, Nagaland State - 797001 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being under **Rs. 1,98,73,459.16/-** (Rupees One Crore Ninety Eight Lakh Seventy Three Thousand Four Hundred Fifty Nine and Sixteen Paisa Only) as on **30.09.2019** plus interest from **01.10.2019** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

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Place : Bangalore
Date : 12.02.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
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OFFICE OF THE ENGINEER-IN-CHIEF (CIVIL), ODISHA
NIRMAN SOUDHA, UNIT-V, BHUBANESWAR
INVITATIONS FOR BIDS (IFB)

File No-B-IV-H-(H&D)-59/2020 Lr. No.- 6502 / Bhubaneswar, the 11th Feb. 2021

B-754 **Invitation for Bids, Bid Identification No. EIC (B) –12 / 2020-21**

1.	The Engineer-in-Chief (Buildings) Odisha, Bhubaneswar, on behalf of Governor of Odisha, invites percentage rate bids in double cover system in **ONLINE MODE** only, for Construction of Building works as detailed below.		
2.	Nature of work	:	**Building works**
3.	No. of work	:	02 nos.
4.	Bid Cost.	:	**₹10,000/- (each)**
5.	Class of Contractor	:	Super
6.	Availability of Bid Documents in the website	:	From dt. 26.02.2021 to 17.00 Hours of dt.15.03.2021.
7.	Date of Opening of Bid	:	Dt. 16.03.2021 at 11:30 AM.
8.	The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website : **https://tendersodisha.gov.in.** Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website only.		

Sd/-Engineer-in-Chief (Buildings), Odisha, Bhubaneswar OIPR-34117/11/0017/2021

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Government of Odisha
OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER CUTTACK (R&B) CIRCLE, CUTTACK
('e' – PROCUREMENT NOTICE)

B-758 **Bid Identification No.S.E.Ctc.(R&B) 25/2020-21.**

1. The Superintending Engineer, Cuttack (R&B)Circle, Cuttack on behalf of Governor of Odisha invites on Percentage rate basis bid in double cover system in **ONLINE MODE** from eligible contractors for Road & Building works as mentioned below.
2. No. of work :- **3 Nos.**
3. Nature of work :- Road & Building work
4. Class of contractor :- **'A' Special & Super Class.**
5. Tender paper cost :- **Rs.10000/- (online)**
6. Available of bid documents :- **From 08.03.2021 to 16.00 Hours of 23.03.2021 in the web site.**
7. Date of opening of bid :- Dt.24.03.2021 at 11.00 Hours.
8. The Bidders have to participate in ONLINE bidding only. Further details can be seen from the website **https://tendersodisha.gov.in.** Any addendum / corrigendum / cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said web site.

Sd/-T.P.Mishra, Superintending Engineer, Cuttack(R&B)Circle **OIPR-34012/11/0026/2021**

Boeing 737-Max
cleared to fly again by the UAE's aviation agency on Wednesday

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Beijing	5	-5	SNY	Los Angeles	18	8	SNY
Colombo	31	23	TDS	Melbourne	26	15	TDS
Dhaka	27	14	SNY	Moscow	-14	21	LC
Dubai	26	16	SNY	New York	-2	-5	LC
Houston	2	-5	SNY	Singapore	31	24	TDS
Istanbul	12	8	LC	Toronto	2	0	LC
London	12	9	LC	Washington	0	-1	LC

Snow covers 70% of US, power cuts leave millions shivering

20 killed struggling to find warmth as heavy demand cripples electric grids in unprepared states

WASHINGTON

TWENTY people were killed and millions were left without electricity after once-in-a-generation winter storms lashed vast swathes of the United States on Tuesday, bringing record snowfall and pushing the mercury down to unprecedented lows in many areas.

Winter storm watches were in effect from Baltimore to Boston, and Texas braced for more icy rain and possibly more snow.

According to the National Operational Hydrologic Remote Sensing Center, snow-covered more than 73% of the continental US on Tuesday morning, at an average thickness of six inches–up from 35% a week ago.

Arctic conditions have brought record low temperatures to several states unaccustomed to—and ill-prepared for—such extreme cold.

The temperature in Oklahoma City fell to -25 degrees Celsius on Tuesday morning—the city's lowest in over 120 years. Texas's Dallas saw the mercury hit -18 degrees Celsius for the first time since 1930. Many other US cities, especially in the south, also reported their lowest temperatures in several decades.

Across the US, the hardest hit was Texas, a state not much accustomed to cold weather, where freezing conditions prompted utility companies to implement rotating blackouts to stop the power grid being overloaded by the surge in demand. At least 20 people have died across the US, most while struggling to find warmth inside their homes.

Left with no heater due to a power outage, a man warms his feet over a stove amid a severe cold weather in Austin Texas on Tuesday | AP

The winter storm spawned at least four tornadoes, according to Atlanta-based weather.com, including one in coastal North Carolina late Monday that killed at least three people and injured 10 more.

The twister tore into the southern part of the state late Monday, particularly impacting two coastal communities in Brunswick County.

"It is estimated that at least 50 homes were affected in the incident and several power lines were damaged, causing power outages," Brunswick County Emergency Services said in a statement.

Photos and video broadcast by US media showed downed trees, flattened homes and smashed cars.

'More misery ahead'

The southeastern US was bracing for a major winter storm on Wednesday.

"More Misery Ahead," was the front page headline in the *San Antonio Express-News*.

The National Weather Service (NWS) issued winter storm warnings and advisories for more than 100 million Americans living in the US heartland. "Crippling" ice accumulations were possible in parts of Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi, the NWS said, causing power outages, tree damage and making driving hazardous.

It said an Artic air mass was beginning to lose its grip on an area not used to such extreme cold but the frigid temperatures were expected to continue.

"Temperatures will still remain 20 to 35 degrees (Fahrenheit) below normal throughout the Plains, Mississippi Valley, and lower Great Lakes," the NWS said.

Jeff Zients, the White House Coronavirus Response Coordinator, said the cold weather is impacting delivery and distribution of Covid-19 vaccines.

"There's certain parts of the country, Texas being one of them, where vaccination sites are understandably closed," Zients said. "What we're encouraging governors and other partners to do is to extend hours once they're able to reopen."

According to PowerOutage.US, more than 3.4 million customers were without power on Wednesday in Texas. "Folks have gone days now without electricity," Beto O'Rourke, a former Democratic presidential candidate, said. *Agencies*

Winter woes worst in several decades

Parts of the US are seeing their worst winter weather in several decades. While an unusually strong polar vortex is blamed, lack of preparedness on the part of authorities has cost lives and added to the public's misery

POLAR VORTEX BLAMED

The polar vortex is an enormous, three-dimensional ring of winds that surrounds the North and South poles during each hemisphere's winter. These winds are located about 10 to 30 miles (16 to 50 kilometers) above Earth's surface, in the layer of the atmosphere known as the stratosphere

But occasionally something slams against the top, sending the cold air escaping from its Arctic home and heading south

This particular polar vortex breakdown has been a whopper. Meteorologists call it one of the biggest, nastiest and longest-lasting ones they've seen, and they've been watching since at least the 1950s

TROUBLE IN EUROPE TOO

The Athens snowstorm, described by authorities as the most severe in 20 years, blanketed the city and its ancient monuments on Tuesday

In Istanbul, Turkey's largest city, icy roads caused multiple car accidents and authorities said up to 50 centimeters of snow has accumulated in the metropolis' higher-altitude districts

In North Africa, snow reached an area in northeastern Libya for the first time in 15 years

COLD DEATHS

Police in Houston said a woman and a girl died from carbon monoxide poisoning after sitting in a garaged car with the engine running to keep warm

In Oregon's Portland area, authorities confirmed on Tuesday that four people died of carbon monoxide poisoning

A man in Louisiana died when he hit his head after slipping on ice

A 10-year-old Tennessee boy perished after he a fell through the ice into a pond on Sunday

Two people died in separate crashes in Kentucky on Monday

TEXAS'S PRIDE TAKES A HIT

- The worst US power outages by far have been in Texas, where officials requested 60 generators from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and planned to prioritise hospitals and nursing homes
- The breakdown sparked growing outrage and demands for answers over how Texas — whose Republican leaders as recently as last year taunted California over the Democratic-led state's rolling blackouts — failed such a massive test of a major point of state pride: energy independence
- In all, between two and three million customers in Texas still had no power nearly two full days after historic snowfall and single-digit temperatures created a surge in demand for electricity to warm up homes
- And it cut through politics, as fuming Texans took to social media to highlight how while their neighbourhoods froze in the dark Monday night, downtown skylines glowed despite desperate calls to conserve energy. "We are very angry. I was checking on my neighbour, she's angry, too," an Austin resident said

BUCK-PASSING

Leaders of NZ, Australia quarrel over IS fighter

WELLINGTON

THE leaders of New Zealand and Australia were engaged in a bitter fight on Tuesday over which country will inherit an alleged Islamic State militant who at one point held citizenship in both nations.

The 26-year-old woman and two children were detained when they tried to illegally cross from Syria into Turkey, Turkey's Defence Ministry said Monday. The woman was identified only by her initials, SA.

New Zealand Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern has been arguing with Australian counterpart Scott Morrison over which country should take responsibility for the woman if she's deported from Turkey. The two were due to speak again on the matter Tuesday evening.

The woman was a dual citizen of Australia and New Zealand, but Australia stripped her citizenship under anti-terrorism laws.

Ardern said the woman had lived in Australia for most of her life and had travelled to Syria on her Australian passport.

"We believe Australia has abdicated its responsibilities in relation to this person and I have personally made that point to Prime Minister Morrison," Ardern said in an unusually blunt statement.

However, Morrison said he was simply doing his job by protecting Australia's interests. *AFP*

ASIA MATTERS

PAKISTAN

All economic activites to resume next month

The Pakistan government on Wednesday decided to fully restore all economic activities in the country, which were still following Covid-19 restrictions, from next month. Prime Minister Imran Khan chaired the Cabinet meeting which was briefed about the coronavirus situation and the reduction in the overall cases, according to a statement by the PM's Office. The Cabinet was informed about the government's decision to fully revive all economic sectors which were still following the restrictions under Covid-19 protocol. "All economic activities will be restored from March 1," according to the statement. The Cabinet was informed that about 50,000 of health workers have been given the vaccine shots

MALAYSIA

Demand for world's smelliest fruit takes a hit amid Covid

Durians falling from trees are collected in nets on a farm in Malaysia, where a long lockdown has slowed domestic demand and left traders more reliant on China's appetite for the world's smelliest fruit. A first lockdown in Malaysia did not do too much damage to demand, but a serious Covid-19 resurgence has prompted authorities to re-impose curbs for a longer period, hitting the economy again and hammering the durian industry

INDONESIA

Public workers, traders get ready to receive vaccine shots

Public workers, people over 60 and traders and security personnel are next in line for Covid-19 shots in Indonesia on Wednesday, after more 1.1 million mostly health workers received the vaccine in the first phase of inoculation. The second phase started at Tanah Abang Market, Southeast Asia's biggest textile bazaar, with the target of at least 55,000 traders who will be getting China's Sinovac Biotech vaccine. President Joko Widodo said the second stage of the vaccination programme is targeting 38.5 million people—16.9 million public workers and 21.5 million elderly people. In all, Indonesia plans to vaccinate 181 million people

China's gag order limits topics for bloggers

BEIJING

Ma Xiaolin frequently wrote about current affairs on one of China's leading microblogging sites, where he has two million followers. But recently, he said in a post, the Weibo site called and asked him not to post original content on topics ranging from politics to economic and military issues.

"As an international affairs researcher and a columnist, it looks like I can only go the route of entertainment, food and beverage now,' the international relations professor wrote on January 31.

Ma, who often posted on developments in the Mideast, is one of many popular influencers working within the constraints of China's heavily censored web who is finding that their space to speak is shrinking even further with the latest policy changes and a clean-up campaign run by the country's powerful censors.

Beginning next week, the Cyberspace Administration of China will require bloggers and influencers to have a government-approved credential before they can publish on a wide range of subjects. Some fear that only state media and official propaganda accounts will get permission.

While permits have been needed since at least 2017 to write about topics such as political and military affairs, enforcement has not been widespread. The new rules expand that requirement to health, economics, education and judicial matters.

Critics said the regulators want to control the entire procedure of information production. *AP*

BIDEN COMPARES WHITE HOUSE TO GILDED CAGE

WASHINGTON

FOUR weeks into his presidency, Joe Biden says he's still getting used to the trappings of the office.

Biden offered a frank description of what it's like to live at 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. during his *CNN* town hall on Tuesday night, referencing past presidents who have spoken of the building as "a little like a gilded cage."

"I get up in the morning and look at Jill and say, Where the hell are we?" Biden joked, adding that he wasn't used to household staff waiting on him.

"I find myself extremely self-conscious," Biden added, saying he was unaccustomed to someone "handing me my suitcoat."

Biden's working-class upbringing in Scranton, Pennsylvania, has long been a central part of his political brand. He most recently lived in a large house in the Wilmington, Delaware, suburbs.

The White House features a spacious lawn that has an unimpeded view of the Washington and Lincoln Monuments, but is otherwise surrounded by high fencing and a small army of guards. Biden said it's "totally different" from the vice president's residence, set on 80 acres and offering ample room to swim, explore and exercise in greater privacy.

The former vice president said he'd been in the Oval Office 100 times or more over the years, but had never been to the residential areas of the White House.

"Sometimes, because things are moving so fast, not because of the burden, it feels like four years," Biden said.

"It's not because of the burden, it's because there's so much happening, that you're focused on, you're constantly focusing on one problem or opportunity." *AP*

Joe Biden

Most US schools to reopen in coming days

US President Joe Biden is promising a majority of elementary schools will be open five days a week by the end of his first 100 days in office, restating his goal after his administration came under fire when aides said schools would be considered open if they held in-person learning just one day a week. Biden's comments to CNN marked his clearest statement yet on school reopenings

Saudi Arabia's King Salman bin Abdulazziz Al-Saud

Saudi king, not MbS, to get Biden's first call

WASHINGTON

SAUDI Arabia's king, not the younger de facto leader Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, will be the one getting a first phone call from US President Joe Biden, the White House said on Tuesday.

Biden is using telephone diplomacy to underline the break with Donald Trump's Mideast policies.

Although Biden has reached out to US allies in every corner of the world, he has pointedly kept Israeli and Saudi leaders waiting by the phone.

Spokeswoman Jen Psaki said that when Biden does finally reach out to the Saudis, it won't be to the crown prince, known as MBS, who had an especially close relationship with the Trump administration.

"We've made clear from the beginning that we're going to recalibrate our relationship with Saudi Arabia," Psaki said, and "part of that is going back to engagement counterpart-to-counterpart." *AFP*

Gunmen storm school in Nigeria, abduct 40

KANO

GUNMEN from a suspected criminal gang stormed a school in central Nigeria, killing one student and kidnapping dozens of other pupils, teachers and relatives, the local government said on Wednesday, in the latest mass abduction to shock the country.

President Muhammadu Buhari ordered security forces to coordinate a rescue operation, his office said, after gunmen in military uniforms raided the Government Science College in the town of Kagara in Niger state.

Details about the kidnapping were still emerging and a new tally came after initial reports from a government official and a security source that hundreds of students were snatched from the school, where they were staying in dormitories.

"They kidnapped 42 people from the school. They took away 27 students, along with three teachers. One student was killed. They also kidnapped 12 family members of the teachers," Muhammad Sani Idris, spokesman for Niger state's government, told an AFP reporter by phone.

He said 650 students had been in the school when it was attacked at 2.00 am (0100 GMT) on Wednesday.

Heavily-armed gangs known locally as "bandits" in northwest and central Nigeria have stepped up attacks in recent years, kidnapping for ransom, raping and pillaging.

President Buhari condemned the abduction and ordered security forces to coordinate an operation to rescue the students.

"The president has directed the armed forces and police to ensure immediate and safe return of all the captives," presidential spokesman Garba Shehu said in a statement without giving details on the number of missing.

Only two months ago, more than 300 students were kidnapped from a school in Kankara in nearby Katsina state while Buhari was visiting the region, his home state.

The boys were later released after negotiations with government officials, but the incident sparked global outrage.

Niger State Governor Abubakar Sani Bello on Wednesday ordered boarding schools in four areas to shut down until further notice.

"Government at all levels should also ensure that our schools are henceforth protected against heartless criminals who have apparently identified them as soft targets," Nigeria's Senate President Ahmad Lawan said.

Kidnap gangs in Nigeria's northwest and central states are just one challenge in Africa's most populous country, where security forces face jihadists in the northeast, ethnic clashes and piracy in the south. *AFP*

New York sues Amazon

NEW YORK

New York is suing Amazon, claiming the company failed to provide workers with a safe environment at two warehouses in the state as Covid-19 infections surged nationwide.

The suit from New York Attorney General Letitia James landed just days after Amazon preemptively sued to block the suit over its coronavirus safety protocols and the firing of one of its employees who objected to working conditions.

In the suit filed late on Tuesday, New York claims Amazon showed a "flagrant disregard for health and safety requirements" and retaliated illegally against employees who raised alarms.

James opened an investigation into Amazon in March following complaints about the lack of precautions taken to protect employees at New York facilities amid the pandemic. The investigation concentrated on two facilities one in Staten Island and one in Queens with a combined workforce of more than 5,000 individuals.

The investigation found evidence showing that Amazon's health and safety response violated state law with respect to cleaning and disinfection protocols and contact tracing. *AP*

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD		SILVER		FOREX	
400.34 ▼	Sensex	51,703.83	24 carat (1 gm)	₹4,804.5	₹1,520 ▲	Per kg ₹69,948	▼ Dollar	72.74
104.55 ▼	Nifty	15,208.9	22 carat (1 gm)	₹4,785.3	₹1.52 ▲	Per gm ₹69.94	▼ Euro	87.71

Don't chase valuations, focus on building world-class products: PM

Prime Minister lauds IT sector for recording growth during a year disrupted by a pandemic

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

"WHEN the chips were down, your code kept things running," said Prime Minister Narendra Modi to the leaders of India's Information Technology (IT) sector on Wednesday. Modi was speaking at the inauguration of industry body Nasscom's Technology Leadership Forum 2021.

While lauding the industry's 2.3 per cent growth during a pandemic year when many sectors had bled, Modi also had a word of advice for start-ups: "Don't chase valuations, exit strategies, instead focus on creating institutions that will outlive the century, world-class products which will set a global benchmark of excellence".

The Prime Minister's message comes at a time when many start-ups are on the verge of entering the unicorn club, readying for dual IPOs, and attracting huge investments from across the world.

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Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

Modi said that the addition of $4 billion in revenue by the IT industry in 2020 and employing 1,38,000 people despite the Covid setback was remarkable. He also noted that the next wave of technological revolution in India should begin from the country's hinterlands, since this would benefit the rural population and create employment opportunities for them.

India's mission of developing optical fibre network across six lakh villages in 1,000 days will achieve a huge impetus if start-ups come up with technological innovations for the benefit of rural households and improve their standard of living, Modi said. He went on to ask the IT sector and start-ups to draw a roadmap to become global leaders in the run up to India's 100th independence anniversary.

While referring to various policy measures, including the recent relaxation of Other Service Provider (OSP) norms for IT services and the BPO sector as well as opening up access to geospatial data for private firms, the Prime Minister said that "some of these bold decisions were only possible because of the country's belief in security and sovereignty."

Sharing his concerns on the sluggish growth of India's domestic IT market, Modi said that while software exports have grown tremendously, the IT industry should also shift its mindset to Make for India. CSR activities, he said, should focus on uplifting poor and marginal communities which could be a gamechanger soon.

85% of India's oil requirements met with imports in FY20

60% of retail petrol price is comprised of taxes

54% of retail diesel price is comprised of taxes

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Narendra Modi, PM

Govt focused on reducing reliance on oil imports

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday blamed previous incumbents for relying heavily on imports to meet India's energy demand even as petrol prices, for the first time ever, crossed the ₹100 per litre mark in Rajasthan on Wednesday.

"Can a diverse and talented nation like ours be so energy import dependent?.. I do not want to criticise anyone, but I want to say (that) had we focused on this subject much earlier, our middle-class would not be burdened," said Modi while addressing an online event to inaugurate oil and gas projects in Tamil Nadu.

The price of normal petrol crossed the ₹100 per litre mark in Rajasthan on Wednesday after fuel rates were hiked for the ninth day in a row. Earlier in the week, branded or additive-laced petrol prices had crossed the ₹100 mark in certain parts of Maharashtra, Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan.

Without referring to this continues increase, linked to a recent rise in international crude prices and record high tax levels, Modi said that India had imported over 85 per cent of its oil needs in the 2019-20 financial year and 53 per cent of its gas requirement. He added that the BJP government is sensitive to the concerns of the middle class and India is looking to cut energy import dependence and diversify its sources to reduce risks.

The sharp increase in fuel prices has attracted criticism for the Modi-led government, with opposition parties blaming the high taxes on fuel. Central and state taxes make up for around 60 per cent of the retail selling price of petrol and over 54 per cent of diesel. The Centre had hiked excise duty twice in 2020, which was followed by hikes in state Value Added Taxes. Modi also spoke of increasing the share of renewable energy and boosting ethanol mixing levels. "By 2030, 40 per cent of all energy will be generated from green energy sources," he said.

SEBI

Public issue norms for large firms relaxed

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Securities and Exchanges Board of India (SEBI) on Wednesday relaxed norms for public offerings and portfolio managers, which were among many measures that the market regulator's board approved.

The rules currently mandate that companies with a post issue market capital of at least ₹4,000 crore are required to offer a minimum of 10 per cent to the public and ratchet this public holding to 25 per cent over three years of listing.

This requirement has been diluted by bringing in a new provision which states that for firms with a post issue market capital of more than ₹1,00,000 crore, this norm will be relaxed to "₹10,000 crores plus 5 per cent of the incremental amount beyond ₹1,00,000 crore".

"These issuers shall be required to achieve at least 10 per cent public shareholding in two years and at least 25 per cent public shareholding within five years from the date of listing," a release issued by Sebi said.

Besides, the regulatory body also repealed the Sebi (Underwriters) Regulations, 1993 and brought amendments to the Sebi (Merchant Bankers) Regulations, 1992 and the SEBI (Stock Brokers) Regulations, 1992. Through these, the board approved amendments to regulations governing portfolio managers, investment advisers, and research analysts. The move will help to recognise "the post graduate program in securities market of not less than one year offered by NISM as eligible qualification for portfolio managers, investment advisers and research analysts". Earlier the finance minister had proposed to create a single securities markets code.

India, Mauritius trade agreement receives green signal from Cabinet

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the Comprehensive Economic Cooperation and Partnership Agreement (CECPA) between India and Mauritius, a agreement which is aimed at liberalising trade between the two countries.

The pact, which is a kind of a free trade agreement, will cover 310 export items for India, including foodstuff and beverages, agricultural products, textile, base metals, electricals and electronic items, plastics and chemicals, etc.

In such agreements, the two trading partners cut or eliminate duties on a host of products besides liberalising norms to promote services trade. The pact that has received the Cabinet green light will cover trade in goods, rules of origin, trade in services, Technical Barriers to TradeSanitary and Phytosanitary (SPS) measures, dispute settlement, movement of natural persons, telecom, financial services, customs procedures and co-operation in other areas.

According to the agreement, Mauritius will benefit from preferential market access into India for 615 products, including frozen fish, speciality sugar, biscuits, fresh fruits, juices, mineral water, beer, alcoholic drinks, soaps, bags, medical and surgical equipment, and apparel. This instance will be India's first such trade pact with an African nation.

A mutually convenient date will be finalised for signing of the agreement, after which it will be implemented.

Data shows that bilateral trade between the countries had dipped to $690 million in 2019-20 from $1.2 billion in 2018-19. While India's exports in 2019-20 aggregated to $662 million, imports stood at just $27.89 million. Mauritius imports petroleum products, pharmaceuticals, cereals, cotton, electrical machinery, apparel and clothing accessories, while India's imports include iron and steel, pearls, precious/semi-precious stones, etc. Mauritius was also the second largest source of foreign direct investment into India in 2019-20, accounting for around $8.24 billion (about ₹57,785 crore) for the year.

Cabinet approves PLI scheme for telecom, network equipment cos

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

THE Union Cabinet on Wednesday approved the keenly awaited Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme for Telecom and Networking Products with a budgetary outlay of ₹12,195 crore over five years. The government expects this measure to counter imports worth ₹50,000 crore and make India a production hub of such equipment ahead of the crucial 5G network implementation.

Telecom Minister Ravi Shankar said, "As a result of PLI scheme for telecom equipment, government hopes to have incremental production of ₹2,44,200 crore in the sector, exports worth ₹1,95,360 crore, 40,000 new jobs, and ₹17,000 crore worth of tax revenue in the coming five years." He added that the decision is aimed at making India "a global hub of manufacturing telecom equipment including core transmission equipment, 4G/5G Next Generation Radio Access Network and Wireless Equipment"

The Scheme, which will be implemented from April 1, 2021, is also expected to attract foreign direct investment of more than of ₹3,000 crore. Prasad also said that government will soon come up with a PLI scheme to encourage the production of laptops and tablet PCs.

Support under the scheme will be provided to entities engaged in the manufacturing of specified telecom and networking products in India. Eligibility will be further subject to the achievement of a minimum threshold of cumulative incremental investment over a period of four years, and incremental sales of manufactured goods net of taxes (as distinct from traded goods) over the Base Year 2019-2020. There will be a minimum investment threshold of ₹10 crore for MSME with incentives from 7 per cent to 4 per cent and ₹100 crore for others with incentives from 6 per cent to 4 per cent over five years above the mandated base year.

Govt offers sops to woo large investors

The applicants with higher investments than the specified thresholds for the MSME and non-MSME categories will be selected through a transparent process. Once qualified, the investor will be incentivized up to 20 times of minimum investment threshold

EXPRESS READ

'Lots of concerns over behaviour of big tech'

New Delhi: There are a lot of concerns about the behaviour of big tech companies and India would like to protect its policy space, Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said on Wednesday. He said that India was keen to expand in the digital space with the United States, but added that they would be conscious of the "responsibility to the people of India for data privacy".

Airtel creates panel to rejig company set up

New Delhi: Bharti Airtel has set up a special panel to evaluate restructuring of its business as well as shareholding structure of the company and its subsidiaries, in order to enhance focus on digital and non-telecom business. The restructuring may lead to consolidation or acquisition of shares of subsidiary companies, the company said in a stock exchange filing.

TODAY'S STOCK PICK

Current Price ₹134.35

Target Price ₹165

GAIL

With ever-increasing gas demand in the country, transmission pipelines would play a critical role in connecting consumers with both imported and domestically produced gas. GAIL expects the Trading segment to turn profitable in 4QFY21, benefitting from the current spot LNG prices.

— Motilal Oswal Securities Limited

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SECRET PLAN

AMAZON STRATEGY TO DODGE INDIAN REGULATORS

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

US retail giant Amazon has reportedly circumvented the Indian government's FDI and competition regulations in order to prefer big sellers on its platform. According to a Reuters investigation report, Jeff Bezos's company has restructured its indirect equity in large seller firms such as Cloud Tail and Appario to overcome the challenges posed by the Indian government's tough stance on FDI regulations—a policy focused on protecting India's small businesses from large companies.

Unlike the US, regulations in India do not provide for e-comerce platforms to control inventories or sell goods directly on their platforms. However, such platforms can charge fees from sellers who are onboarded on the marketplace. Reuters has reported that Amazon used its large retail network for the advantage of big sellers, who accounted for one-third of sales on its platform.

Amazon is also facing various suits in courts, with India's small retailer associations accusing the retail behemoth of deep discounting and preferential treatment to certain sellers, which they say has almost crushed their businesses.

Drawing fire from retailers

Amazon faces opposition from small retailers who accuse it of deep discounts, preferential treatment to some sellers

A probe by India's competition watchdog Competition Commision of India is also on hold as Amazon has approached the Karnataka High Court claiming that the investigation was based on false claims made by a small trader body, Delhi Vyapar Sangh, an affiliate of the Confederation of All India Traders.

Responding to an emailed query from *TNIE* Amazon said that the article "appears to be based on unsubstantiated, incomplete, and/or factually incorrect information, likely supplied (maliciously) with the intention of creating sensation and discrediting Amazon Amazon remains compliant with all Indian laws.

"In the last several years, there have been number of changes in regulations governing the marketplaces and Amazon has, on each occasion taken rapid action to ensure compliance. The story therefore seems to have outdated information that does not show any non-compliance. In the meantime, we continue to focus on delivering first class service to India's consumers, and helping India's manufacturers and SMB's reach customers around the world." the company said.

Hindujas pay premium to boost stake in IndusInd Bank

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Chennai

TO boost its stake in IndusInd Bank, the Hinduja family has paid a premium amount for redeeming warrants that will be converted into shares in the lender. According to a statement, IndusInd International Holdings Ltd., which represents the bank's founding Hinduja clan, has completed a rights issue to fund the conversion of warrants to shares in the Mumbai-based bank. The warrants will be redeemed at ₹1,709 a share, a 61 per cent premium over Tuesday's closing price.

The holding company also plans to sell some other investments to finance the ₹2,020 crore ($277 million) warrant redemption. The company said in a statement that the idea to "redeem the warrants at a premium over the prevailing share price stands testimony to the strong trust and confidence in IndusInd Bank's management and its strategic direction." The funds will be paid by February 18.

The bank had been founded by Srichand P Hinduja in 1994. The family's holding in the lender shrank to 13 per cent following its merger with microlender Bharat Financial in July 2019, when the family had redeemed 25 per cent of warrants that year.

WORK-FROM-HOME

'Remote working presents huge opportunities for Indian talent'

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

TECH giant IBM's CEO Arvind Krishna said on Wednesday that the sustained remote delivery model now employed by firms globally can provide huge opportunities for sourcing talent across India.

Krishna, speaking during a fireside chat at Nasscom's flagship Leadership Forum 2021, said that the hybrid model has enabled firms to hire from various parts of the world and this presents a wonderful opportunity for India's talent base.

"A remote delivery model is more acceptable now and within the same, there are more opportunities for India than before," the tech veteran said.

Krishna added that for India to turn into an innovation hub, there was a massive need to reskill people in emerging technologies, formulate a favourable regulatory environment, and be ready for risk taking.

"The question is what role does India wants to play. The aspiration is massive. If the aspiration for India is to be the innovation hub, one needs not only to look at the positive side but also the risk. Innovation means only one in three ideas are likely to succeed. So two out of three, I don't call them failures, but they don't give economic returns in the near term. We need regulations and policies that allow for that failure to happen and that is risk taking in business terms," the IBM chief executive said.

He added that the evolution of technological innovation has presented multiple opportunities and hence it is imperative for key players to partner with each other for developing an ecosystem. "For instance, on the cloud services front, I can say we have a great relationship with Microsoft, Amazon... and we aren't just rivals. Many of our clients require unique innovations and can partner with multiple tech firms," Krishna pointed out.

Earlier, during a virtual press conference, Krishna had also said that the tech firm was bullish on its India expansion plans and that the recent announcement of the firm spinning off a new company would not impact its workforce in india—the second largest source of talent for the company after the United States, although IBM is planning for a separate leadership team.

Krishna said that IBM is currently helping support the digital infrastructure of India's banks, telecom firms, and has also partnered with the country's indigenous IT firms.

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Udupi City Municipal Council, Udupi District-576101.

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No.UCMC/ HS /ODF+/CR-34/2020-21 Date: 17.02.2021

NOTIFICATION

Under the Swachh Bharat Mission Udupi City Municipal Council is intended to declare the city as open defecation free (ODF+). In this regard municipality has encouraged it's urban poor residents to build their own toilets by giving subsidy from its municipal amount such as under 24.1%, 7.25%, 3% from many years and also from Swachh Bharat Mission grants. Also the municipality has constructed community toilets for its residents who are not able to construct toilets because of space constraints and other land ownership issues. Also municipality has constructed public toilets for its floating and migrant publics at various locations of the city. Also the municipality is continually monitoring the requirements of toilets and takes steps in this regard time to time. Also the municipality will imposes fine on whoever defecating in open places. So it is hereby requested that any objections/suggestions in this regard is invited from the public in writing within seven days from the date of publication of this notification.

Sd/- Municipal Commissioner
CMC Udupi

DIPR/ADU/MCA/727/20-21 Dt. 17.2.2021

LOSS OF PURCHASED DEED

We have lost the original Purchased Deed made on i.e dated: 07-12-1988, for property located at Survey No:328/1, area 2 Acre 4 Gunta executed by Gaffur Baig S/o Bashoo Baig, Maharunnisa W/o Nazeer Baig, in favor of Siraj Ulla Baig S/o Late.Raheem Baig as property details given below.

Property Located at : Suryery No:328/1, Masthi (V), Malur(T), Kolar(D)-563139., Schedule: Area of 2 Acre 4 Gunta for East : Jayamma Property, W:A.D.Colony, N:Road, and S:Fort. With regards to this we have been filed FIR No:PO08214200600136 Dated : 08-09-2020 after the lost of purchase deed. We intend to mortgage the property to SBI Masthi Branch (41031) for loan purpose.

PURCHASE DEED IF FOUND PLEASE DO CONTACT : 9738010683 (Siraj Ulla Baig)

punjab national bank

SASTRA : BANGALORE EAST,
26-27, Raheja Towers, M.G. Road, Bangalore - 560 001
Tel. No. 25095087, FAX No. 080-25584951

Mr. M Dharani,
No. 41/10, House List No. 41,
Arehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli,
Bangalore South Taluk,
Bangalore –560061

Mrs .Sampoorna R,
No. 41/10, House List No. 41,
Arehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli,
Bangalore South Taluk,
Bangalore –560061

Sir / Madam,

Reg : Movable property found at No.41/10, House List No. 41, Arehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore – 560061.

The undersigned has taken physical possession of the captioned property in exercise of his powers conferred u/s 13(4) of the SARFAESI Act, 2002 on 05/02/2021. During taking the physical possession of the property, the movable items as given in the Schedule was found. You are advised to collect possession of the items given in the Schedule after providing proof of ownership to the satisfaction of the undersigned within 7 days from receipt of this notice, failing which the property will be disposed of in accordance with the law.

SCHEDULE - LIST OF ITEMS

1) LG TV -1 No, 2) Ceiling Fan-1 No, 3) Godrej Fridge-1 No, 4) Washing Machine-1 No, 5) Single Divan-1 No, 6) Wallclock-1 No, 7) Merritt Machine-1 No, 8) Surya Classic Stove-1 No, 9) Cooking vessels, 10) Double Cot-1 No, 11) Ceiling Fan-1 No, 12) Teapai-1 No, 13) Almirah -1 No.

Authorised Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned Counsel for petitioners filed case of petitioners i.e., Murugesan .P & others Vs. The Commissioner, Births & Deaths, Bengaluru in **C.Misc No. 5663/2020,** before the 23rd ACMM, Bengaluru about farther's death named as **R. PONRAJ S/o Late RAMALINGAM Chettiar, as he died on 25.03.2005** at No.27, Sreenidhi Nivas, Muniswamappa Road, Ramaswamy Palya, Chikkananjundappa Cross, Bengaluru-560033, if anybody interested to file objection in this matter attend before the court as above on or before **09.03.2021.**

PANKAJA .B.C, Advocate.

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E-TENDER NOTICE No. Y/E.29/2020-21/13
Dated: 11.02.2021

The undersigned on behalf of the President of India, invites E-Tenders for the following works:

Sl	Description of Work	Approx. Value
1.	Senior Section Engineer, Path Way/TTR:- Construction of gang tool cum rest room and provision of submersible pump - Electrical arrangement - 11 Nos.	Rs. 17,72,595/-
2.	Rewiring of staff quarters of Ashokapuram depot of Mysuru Division.	Rs. 1,09,90,024.60/-

Last date of submission of bids:
Up to 11:00 hrs of 08.03.2021

For details log on: **www.ireps.gov.in**

Divisional Railway Manager (Electrical) ,Mysuru
PUB/266/AASP/PRB/SWR/2020-21

LOST and FOUND

I, **C.R Radha Gupta** W/o **C.V Ravi Kumar** .Gupta Mob No. 9738954565, R/at: #37, Veerapillay Street, Bengaluru - 560001. do hereby solomenly affirm and state on oath as follows, I submit that I have Original sale Deed bearing No. **3912/1984,Property bearing Sy No. 513/2A, 514/1, 515/1, Site No. 63, Situated at: Kothagandapalli Village, Hosur Taluk, Krishna giri Dist.** the above said Original sale deed was in my custody but it was lost on.08-12-2020, at: Veerapillay Street to Malleshwaram, Bengaluru. With my best efforts I could not able to trace the same, and I gave complaint in Malleshwaram Police station, Ref No. 2834/2020 dated: 08-12-2020, GSC No. PO1339292997289.

UCO BANK

(A Govt. of India Undertaking)
Koramangala Branch
No. 149/2, Hosur Road, Koramagala, Bangalore – 560035.
Ph No. 080 25502185/25532428
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e-mail : korama@ucobank.co.in

POSSESSION NOTICE

{Rule 8(1) and (2)} (For Immovable property)

Whereas the undersigned being the authorized officer of the **UCO Bank** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (54 of 2002) and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13(2) read with Rule 9 of the security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued Demand Notices on **07.07.2018** calling upon the following borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against their names with further interest/cost etc within 60 days from the date of the receipt of the said notice. The below mentioned borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 9 of the said rules on **16.02.2021.** The borrower and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of the **UCO Bank, Koramangala Branch** for amounts mentioned below with further interest accrued thereon and cost.

The borrowers attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

1. Name and Address of the Borrower: 1) M/s. Anand Hardware & Plywood Mart, 2) Sri B. R. Anand Kumar
Outstanding Amount :Rs.3,20,306/- (Rupees Three Lakhs Twenty Thousand Three Hundred and Six Only) as on 30.06.2019 with further interest from 01.07.2019 and expenses.

2. Name and Address of the Borrower: 1) M/s. Ramu Timber Plywood & Glass Mart, 2) Sri B. R. Anand Kumar
Outstanding Amount :Rs.8,43,156/- (Rupees Eight Lakhs Forty Three Thousand One Hundred Fifty Six Only) as on 30.06.2019 with further interest from 01.07.2019 and expenses.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:

All that piece and parcel of the property beraring No. 5 in No. 19, situated at Neelasandra, Bangalore City, Corporation Division No. 62/ 66th of Bangalore measuring East to West 37 1/2 ft and North to South 40 ft. and bounded on : On the East by : Conservancy & drainage and Corporation Property, On the West : Gally, On the North by : Infant Jesus Church Road, On the South by : Property No. 6.

Place: Bangalore
Dt: 16.02.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
UCO Bank

Tumkur Grain Merchants Co-op Bank Ltd.,

Head Office : B.H. Road, Tumkur-572103, Karnataka,
Phone : 0816-2257636 / 4021102-103, Fax : 0816-2255905,
Email : tgmcb_ho@hotmail.com, tgmcb.ho@gmail.com, Website : tgmcbank.com,

DEMAND NOTICE

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF CHAPTER III OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002.

At their request, Bank has extended credit facilities to the below mentioned individuals against secured assets through its below mentioned branches. The relevant particulars of the property on which they have created security interest by execution of security agreement/documents & creation of mortgage by way deposit of title deeds are furnished hereunder. As the operation and conduct of the financial assistance/ credit facilities have become irregular, the debts have been classified as Non Performing Assets in accordance with the directives / guidelines issued by Reserve Bank of India consequent to the default committed by the borrower in repayment of the principal debt and interest thereon. As the demand notice sent by register AD calling upon them, was un-served/ not acknowledged / addressee left / this publication is now issued.

1.Name and Address of the Borrower: 1) Sri. Naveen K S S/o K R Shivaprakash No - 594, Dolars Colony, 3rd Block, RMV II Stage, Bangalore - 560094. **2) Miss. Saanchitha Naveen Rep By Her Father Naveen K S As GPA Holder** No - 594, Dolars Colony, 3rd Block, RMV II Stage, Bangalore - 560094. **3.Miss. Saakshitha Naveen** D/o Naveen K S No - 594, Dolars Colony, 3rd Block, RMV II Stage, Bangalore - 560094. 4.**Sri. Shivaprakash K R** S/o K Rangappa Naveen Nilaya, I Cross, V P Extension, Chitradurga - 577501.

Description of the property :- (Details of Hypothecated assets and details of mortgaged properties of the Borrower): All that piece and parcel of the house Property New No.14, Old No.3/11, BBMP PID No.78-50-14 on North 61 feet, on South 60 feet, East by 33 Feet, West by 36 Feet, Total 2087.25 Sq. Feet, along with Ground and First Floor Building 2100 Squares feet, situated at Miller's Tank Bund Road, Kaveriappa Layout, Bangalore, and bounded on the :- East by : Road. West by: Property of C Natarajan. North by: Property No.12. South by: Property No. 15.

(1) Account Number : 30304526468 Limit: Rs. 1,00,00,000/- (2) Account Number : 30302349503 Limit: Rs. 1,50,00,000/-

Out Standing Loan Amount :- Rs.1,33,54,369/-(Rupees One Crore Thirty Three Lakhs Fifty Four Thousand Three Hundred And Sixty Nine Only) as on **Dt.28-01-2021** together with further interest thereon with effect from **Dt.29-01-2021** at the contractual rates together with costs, charges, other monies until payment or realization.

Date of NPA: 24.01.2020 **Demand Notice dtd: 17.02.2021** **Branch : S S Puram Branch, Tumkur**

If you fail to repay the aforesaid sum with interest and incidental expenses within 60 days from the date of the notice, Bank shall exercise all or any of the rights detailed under sub section (2) of the section 13 of SARFAESI Act. You are also put on notice that in terms of sub section (13) of section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease or otherwise the said secured assets detailed above without obtained written consent of the Bank. This notice is without prejudice to Banks rights to initiate such other action or legal proceedings as it deem necessary under any other applicable provisions of law.

Date : 17.02.2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
TUMKUR GRAIN MERCHANTS CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.,

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the public, that the original registered sale deed document bearing **No. 5639/1997-98, dated: 04.06.1998** registered in the **office of the Sub Registrar Bangalore South Taluk** of property bearing Khata No.217, Site No.271, Sy. No.50/1 of Yelenahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, which is executed in favour of **MANJULA. G, W/o. Gopalakrishna .G,** has been lost, the person/s who ever finds or is in possession of the above mentioned original document is / are requested to return back to the nearest police station or may contact below mentioned

Mobile No.9448453854
Name: SURESH .M

IN THE COURT OF THE CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-63)
P & S.C. No. 366/2020

BETWEEN: SRI SHIVASHANKAR REDDY .C.S S/o Late S.V. Cheluvaraj, aged 40 years, R/a No. 52, 6th Main, 14th Cross, Wilson Garden, Adugodi, Bangalore-560030. ... **Petitioner**

AND: Nil ... Respendent

SUMMONS

Whereas the above named petitioner have made an petition to this court under section 372 and 373 of Indian Succession Act, 1925 praying for issue of Succession Certificate for grant of Succession Certificate in respect of schedule properties of deceased K. Meenakshi, who expired on 09-08-2020. Petitoner is the son of deceased K. Meenakshi.

Interested parties are hereby warned to appear in this court in person or by a pleader duly instructed on **26-02-2021** at 11 'o' Clock in forenoon to show cause against the petition failing which the matter will be heard and determined exparte.

SCHEDULE

1. Saving Account Bearing No. 10409168604, with State Bank of India, Wilson Garden Branch and Bangalore.

2. Locker No. 2/101 to the saving Account No. 10409168604 with State Bank of India, Wilson Garden Branch and Bangalore.

Given under my hand and seal of the Court on 16-02-2021.

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioner:
KUMARASWAMY C.V.
No. 276, 1st Floor, 10th Cross, 5th Main, N.R. Colony, Bangalore-560019.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My clients intends to purchase the property bearing No. 22,Katha No. 130/2/22, 4th Cross, 1st Main Road, Navodayanagara, J.P. Nagar 8th Phase, Bangalore-560078, which is more fully described in the schedule hereunder and hereinafter referred to as the Schedule Property from **SRI AMIT PANDEY,** aged about 43 years, S/o Sri Mool Chand Pandey, No. 22, 4th Cross, 1st Main Road, Navodayanagar, J.P. Nagar 8th Phase, Bangalore-560078, who claims to have valid and marketable title, free of all encumbrances or claims of any nature, whatsoever and in peaceful possession of the Schedule Property. If any person has any claim, right, title or interest in the Schedule Property or any objection to the proposed sale, the same may be communicated to the undersigned along with supporting documents within fifteen days from the day. If no tenable objections are received within the said period, my clients will proceed with the transaction deeming that there are no such claims or objections.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing No. 22, Katha No. 130/2/22, 4th Cross, 1st Main Road, Navodayanagara, J.P. Nagar 8th Phase, Bangalore-560078. (earlier Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk) measuring East to West 50 Ft, North to South (33.25 + 31.5)/2 feet in all measuring 1618.75 Sq. Ft. with a residential building consisting of Ground First, second each measuring and Third Floor, in all measuring 3600 Sq. Ft. of built up area of mosaic flooring and bounded on:

East by : Road,
West by : Property No. 36,
North by : Property No. 21,
South by : Private Property.

VYASA KIRAN UPADHYA .B.R, Advocate
1st Floor, "Shri Jayantha", No. 17/1, 4th Cross, 2nd Main, Wilson Garden, Bangalore-560027. Date: 09-02-2021

THE PAVAGADA SOUHARDA MULTIPURPOSE CO-OPERATIVE LIMITED.,

Administrative Office: No.12, 2nd Floor, 3rd Cross, MCECHS Layout, Dr.Shivaramakarantha Nagar, Hegdenagar, Bangalore-560 077, Ph: 080-28444449, Email: Pavagadaho1@gmal.com,

POSSESSION NOTICE

[Rule –8(1)] (For Immovable Properties)

Whereas, the under signed being the Authorised Officer of **The Pavagada Souharda Multipurpose Co-Operative Ltd.,** under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Act, 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued demand notices calling upon the following Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers to repay the amount mentioned in the notice with further interest / cost etc,. **within 60 days** from the date of the said notice. Details of demand notices such as date of issue and loan outstanding amount are mentioned against each borrower under.

KENGERI BRANCH, BANGALORE.

1. **Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers/ Guarantors: - Mr. Kumar H P** S/o H D Puttaiah, No.108, 16th Cross, MTS Layout, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bangalore-560 060. **Guarantor (1) Mrs. Pavithra P S** W/o Kumar H P, No.108, 16th Cross, MTS Layout, Kengeri Satellite Town, Bangalore-560 060. **(2) Mr. Suresh H C** S/o Chikka Honnaiah H S No.09, Adarsha Layout, Near Krishna Temple, Jnana Jyothi Nagar, Bangalore-560 056.

Demand notice dated : 03/11/2020 **Physical Possession Notice Date : 16.02.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: A/c No. SL-04 Rs.67,76,864=00 (Rupees Sixty Seven Lakh Seventy Six Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty Four Only) as on **30.09.2020** and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: ITEM No.1, All that piece and parcel of site bearing No.21, carved in Sy No.38/1, Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.129, for measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet for total 2400 Sq.feet and bounded as follows; East by: Site No.43, West by: Site No.22, North by: Road, South by: Site No.19.

ITEM No.2, All that piece and parcel of site bearing No.22, carved in Sy No.38/1, Mallathahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.129, for measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet for total 2400 Sq.feet and bounded as follows; East by: Site No.21, West by: Road, North by: Road, South by: Site No.20.

ITEM No.3, All that piece and parcel of site bearing No.7, Katha No.76/2, situated at Valagerahalli Village, Vaddarapalya, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, presently properties comes within the limits of BBMP, for measuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 30 feet for total 1200 Sq.feet and bounded as follows; East by: Site No.34, West by: Road, North by: Property No.6, South by: Site No.8.

HSR LAYOUT BRANCH, BANGALORE.

2. **Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers/ Guarantors: - (1) Mr. N Nagesh** S/o Narayana Swamy, No.571, 6th Cross, Chenna Keshava Nagara, Hosa Road Electronic City, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560 100. **(2) Mrs.Gowramma** W/o Narayana Swamy, No.571, 6th Cross, Chenna Keshava Nagara, Hosa Road Electronic City, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560 100. **GUARANTORS Mr. Arun Kumar A** S/o Anthony Francies, No.569, 6th Cross, Chenna Keshava Nagara, Hosa Road Electronic City, Bangalore South, Bangalore-560 100.

Demand notice dated : 08/12/2020 **Symbolic Possession Notice Date : 17.02.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: A/c No.SL-22 Rs.6,37,742=00 (Rupees Six Lakh Thirty Seven Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty Two Only) as on 02.12.2020 and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY:ITEM No.1 : All that piece and parcel of the Southern portion of site bearing No.3, carved property No.24/2, Katha No.24/2-3, situated at Beratena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently comes within the limits of BBMP for measuring East to West 32 feet and North to South 20 feet for total measuring 640 Sq.feet thereon and bounded on : East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Nagesh's property, South by: Site No, 4.

ITEM No.2 : All that piece and parcel of the Northern portion of site bearing No.3, carved property No.24/2, Katha No.24/2-3, situated at Beratena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently comes within the limits of BBMP for measuring East to West 32 feet and North to South 20 feet for total measuring 640 Sq.feet thereon and bounded on; East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Site No.2, South by: Southern Portion of same site No.3.

ITEM No.3 : All that piece and parcel of the Southern portion of site bearing No.2, carved property No.24/2, Katha No.195, assessment No.24/2, situated at Beratena Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk presently comes within the limits of BBMP for measuring East to West 32 feet and North to South 20 feet for total measuring 640 Sq.feet thereon and bounded on; East by: Private Property, West by: Road, North by: Remaining portion of same site No.2, South by: Site No.3.

HEBBAGODI BRANCH, BANGALORE.

3. **Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers/ Guarantors: - Mr. N Mukunda Reddy** S/o H D Narayana Reddy, No.3304/A, Nikalam Complex, Bhavani Road, Hebbagodi, Bommasandra Post, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-560 099. **Guarantor Mrs. Shailaja** W/o Late H M Shankarappa since deceased] Legal Heir(s), Legal Representative(s),Successors and Assigns of H M Shankarappa, Dadi Reddy Layout, Huskur Gate, Electronic City Post, Bangalore-560 0100.

Demand notice dated : 12/11/2020 **Symbolic Possession Notice Date : 17.02.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice: A/c No-SL-144 Rs.1,95,50,642=00 (Rupees One Crore Ninety Five Lakh Fifty Thousand Six Hundred and Forty Two Only) as on **31.10.2020** and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the property bearing No.150200103100520580 (as Village panchayath Katha No.95/8/2A1, carved Sy No.8/2A1, for measuring East to West 28.041 and North to South 47.801 meters for total 1340.49 Square meters, situated at Hebbagodi Village, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District and constructed residential apartment bounded on East by: Road, West by: Road, North by: Indiradevi & Muniraju's property, South by: Hebbagodi Main Road.

BTM LAYOUT BRANCH, BANGALORE.

4. **Name of the Borrowers/Mortgagers/ Guarantors: 1. Smt. T. R L Padmavathi** W/o Mr. T Ravikumar, Residing at Flat No.216, "Water Ville" Apartments, Ramagondanahalli, Bangalore. **And also at Smt. T. R. L. Padmavathi,** No.185, 1st Cross, 1st Main, Kundalhalli, Near Post Office, A E C S Layout, KundalHalli, Krushnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore-560 037. **GUARANTORS M/s Roma Builders, Managing Partner Mr. T Ravikumar,** No.125, 6th Main, 1st Cross, Near Ashoka Leyland Apartment, Shankar Nagara, Nandini Layout, Bangalore North-560 096.

Demand notice dated : 03.11.2020 **Symbolic Possession Notice Date : 15.02.2021**

Total amount mentioned in the notice A/c No.02/14 Rs.11,56,57,068=00 (Rupees Eleven Crore Fifty-Six Lakh Fifty-Seven Thousand Sixty-Eight Only) as on 30.09.2020 and interest/cost/expenses thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY: All that piece and parcel of the property site bearing No.346A, New No.1672 (Old BBMP No.1061) BBMP Katha No.1672 of Aircraft Employees Co-Operative Society Lay-out and formed out of Sy No's 115/1, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121,122/1 and 2, 124/1, 124/3, 125, 131/1 and 3 of Kundalhalli Village and Sy Nos.39 to 43 of Chinnapapanahalli Village, Krishnarajapuramn Hobli and Sy No.8 and 73 of Tubrahalli Village, VarthurHobli, Bangalore South Taluk Ward No.21, Bangalore and measuring East to West 100 feet and North to South (50+74)/2, for total 6200 Sq.feet respectively and constructed Basement, Ground, First and Second Floor in the building with 20800 Sq.feet Super built up area approved by the BBMP Vide LP No.182/12-13, dated 25.09.2012 and bounded as follows; East by: Site No.346B, West by: Road, North by: C.A Site, South by: Road.

The above borrowers / Mortgagers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general that the under signed has taken possession of the properties described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under section 13(4) of the said act read with the rule 8 of the said Rules on above dates. The Borrower's attention is invited to provisions of Sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties and any dealings with the properties will be subject to the charge of **The Pavagada Souharda Multipurpose Co-Operative Ltd.,** for the amount mentioned against their names with further interest accrued thereon cost.

Date : 17.02.2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
THE PAVAGADA SOUHARDA MULTIPURPOSE CO-OP. LTD

THE BHAVASARA KSHATRIYACO-OPERATIVE BANK LIMITED

Estd:1916
Head Office: "Sahakara Sadana", No.63/67, 24th Cross,
Kilari Road, Bengaluru-560 053, Phone: 080-22972781/82

AUCTION SALE NOTICE

NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY ISSUED UNDER THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-Operative Bank Limited Bangalore had taken possession of the house properties described hereunder mortgaged to the Bank by way of security for repayment of immovable Property Loan availed by the respective borrowers mentioned here below, Notice of Auction of the secured assets is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the public in general, under Rules 8 & 9 of Security interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002.

Details of the borrower, property, reserve price, etc, are as below

Sl No.	Borrower/s Name Branch Name	Property Address	Reserve Price & Amount Due to Bank	Public Auction Date, Time & Place
	CANTONMENT BRANCH			
1	Smt.Sujatha Karan No.161/2, New No.333, K.Kamaraj Road, Bharathi Nagar, Sivan Chetty Garden, Bengaluru-560 001.	property SCHEDULE 'A ' PROPERTY immovable property of BBMP Khata No.5(old Nos.4,5 & 5/1), PID No.80-32-5, New PID No. 091-W0040-2, SIUTATED at Cassuring Street, Bharathinagar, , ward No.80,now known as Cassuring street, ward No.91, Bharathinagar, Bangalore. Measuring: in all measuring 5549 Sq. feet including the passage (5147.11 Sq. Ft + passage 401.89 Sq. feet) SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY 270 Sq. feet of undivided right, title and interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' Property. SCHEDULE 'C 'PROPERTY All that piece and parcel of the residential Flat/ Apartment bearing No.5/9, (Old No.FF-103), (now numbered as No.204), situated on the First Floor of the building known as "HIGH RISE SPLENDOUR APARTMENTS" constructed in the Schedule ' A' Property, having a super built up area of 1200 Sq feet with RCC roofing, vitrified tiles flooring and wooden doors & windows. The Flat/Apartment is provided with water, electricity and sanitary connection as done car parking space in the stilt floor of the building, Bounded on the East by :Private property West by: Cassurina street and Private Property North by:Pettigrew Street and Private Property and South by:Private Property	Reserve Price Rs.83,47,000.00 Amount Due as on 25.03.2021 Rs.51,43,226.00	25.03.2021, 11.00 am at SCHEDULE 'A ' PROPERTY immovable property of BBMP Khata No.5 (old Nos.4,5 & 5/1), PID No.80-32-5, New PTD No.091-W0040-2, SIUTATED at Cassuring Street, Bharathinagar, ward No.80,now known as Cassuring street, ward No.91, Bharathinagar, Bangalore. Measuring: in all measuring 5549 Sq. feet including the passage (5147.11 Sq. Ft + passage 401.89 Sq. feet) SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY 270 Sq. feet of undivided right, title & interest and ownership in Schedule 'A' Property. SCHEDULE 'C 'PROPERTY All that piece and parcel of the residential Flat/ Apartment bearing No.5/9, (Old No.FF-103), (now numbered as No.204), situated on the First Floor of the building known as "HIGH RISE SPLENDOUR APARTMENTS" constructed in the Schedule ' A' Property, having a super built u area of 1200 Sq feet with RCC roofing, vitrified tiles flooring and wooden doors and windows. The Flat/ Apartment is provided with water, electricity and sanitary connection as done car parking space in the stilt floor of the building,
2	1.Smt. V. Sandya, No.148, 5th Main Road, MV Garden, Halasuru, Bengaluru-560 008,	immovable property bearing municipal No.19/1, situated at Police Lane `B' Streeet, Civil Station, Bengaluru (formerly being the Northern Portion of Property No.14-A, New No.2, Police Lane 1A' Street) PID No.80-75-19/1, consisting of building within the area of measuring : East :20 feet 11 ¾ inches, West : 20 feet 11 ¾ inches, North : 11 feet 11 inches, South : 11 feet 11 inches. Bounded on the East by : Private property (premises No.13/3), West by :Private property (premises No.14-B/1), North by :Road (Police Lane `B' Street), South by: Sri.N.Lakshman's property (formerly southern portion of property No.14-A, New No.2)	Reserve Price Rs.20,22,000.00 Amount Due as on 26.03.2021 Rs.11,26,255/-	26.03.2021 at 03.00 p.m No.19/1, situated at Police Lane `B' Streeet, Civil Station, Bengaluru (formerly being the Northern Portion of Property No.14-A, New No.2, Police Lane 1A' Street) PID No.80-75-19/1,
3	1.Sri.Raja S.D, 2.Sri.Suneel Kumar, Both residing at No.13, Mariamma Temple Street, 1st Cross, Kadugondanahalli, Arabic college, Bengaluru-560 045.	BBMP No. 51/25, Old Site No.1 & 2, Khatha No.25, situated at K.G.Halli, Bytaranapura, Kasba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560 045, Presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.94 of Kadugondanahalli, with PID No.94-58-51/25 with structures thereof along with all appurtenances, whatsoever underneath or above the surface East to West :13 feet North to South : 31 feet. Bounded on the East by : Munipermalappa's house, West by: 5feet common passage,North by : Road, South by: Site No.03.	Reserve Price Rs.27,77,000.00 Amount Due as on 29.03.2021 Rs.22,91,608.00	29.03.2021 at 11.00 a.m BBMP No. 51/25, Old Site No.1 & 2, Khatha No.25, situated at K.G.Halli, Bytaranapura, Kasba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore-560 045, Presently coming under the jurisdiction of BBMP Ward No.94 of Kadugondanahalli, with PID No. 94-58-51/25 with structures thereof along with all a pur-tenances, whatsoever underneath or above the surface,
4	1.Sri.Ravikumar H, 2.Smt.Rathnakala C.R, Both residing at No.40, 8th Cross, Choulurpalya, Bengaluru-560 023.	immovable property bearing municipal No. 8, Situated at 8th Cross, Choulurpalya, Bengaluru-560 023, PID No.33-31-40, (earlier site formed out of Sy No's 81/4 & 81/5 (Kempapura Agrahara village), within the area measuring: East to West : 15 feet North to South : Estern side 48 feet & Western side 42.5 feet. Bounded on the East by : Property No.7. West by : Schedule 'B' Share of property belonging to Sri.H.Lakshmikanth, North by : Property belonging to Smt.Nagamma and, South by: Road.	Reserve Price Rs. 57,94,000.00 Amount Due as on 30.03.2021 Rs.40,34,270/-	30.03.2021 at 11.00 a.m municipal No. 8, Situated at 8th Cross, Choulurpalya, Bengaluru-560 023, PID No.33-31-40, (earlier site formed out of Sy No's 81/4 & 81/5 (Kempapura Agrahara village),
5	1.Sri.Harish B, No.12, 1st Cross, Upparahalli, J.C.Nagar, Venkatappa Block, Bengaluru-560 006.	property bearing New No.11/1, 1st Cross, Upparahalli, Venkatappa Block, J.C.Nagar, Bengaluru-560 006, (earlier bearing Old No.39, formed out of Sy.No.69, Khyyamgutta Bidarahalli), of measuring: East to West : 40 feet North to South : 15 feet, Bounded on the: East by : 25 feet Road, West by : Property belonging to Sri.Munivenkatappa Rao, North by :Property belonging to Sri.Rangaswamy and, South by : Property No.11.	Reserve Price Rs.33,23,000.00 Amount Due as on 31.03.2021 Rs.23,07,129.00	31.03.2021 at 11.00 a.m, New No. 11/1, 1st Cross, Upparahalli, Venkatappa Block, J.C.Nagar, Bengaluru-560 006, (earlier bearing Old No.39, formed out of Sy.No.69, Khyyamgutta Bidarahalli),
	BASAVANAGUDI BRANCH			
1	1.Sri.Louis Ranjith Kumar 2. Smt.Veena R No.16/1, Kempaiah Block, 5th Main, 1st cross, V R Puram Bengaluru 560 003	No.59,Old No.37, 1st Main Road, Rajmahal Guttahalli, Bengaluru, PID No.99-59-59, Measuring : East to West : 25 feet North to South : 16.10 ½ feet, Bounded on the East by : Road, West by : Sri.Pillappa's House North by: Sri.Chendrappa's house South by : 1st Main Road	Reserve Price Rs.80,10,000.00 Amount Due as on 23.03.2021 Rs.45,17,839/-	23.03.2021,11.30 am At No.59,Old No.37, 1st Main Road, Rajmahal Guttahalli, Bengaluru, PID No.99-59-59
2	Sri.Kumar R No.44, 4th cross Vallabhanagar Uttarhalli Bangalore 560 061	BBMP Khatha No.11/2/44/510, 4th cross, Vallabhanagar, Uttarhalli, Bangalore 560 061 Measuring : East to West : 15 feet North to South : 40 feet, Bounded on the East by : Eastern portion of same property West by :Property No.43, North by: Property No.36 South by : Road	Reserve Price Rs.23,01,992.00 Amount Due as on 26.03.2021 Rs.7,33,970/-	26.03.2021, 11.30 am At BBMP Khatha No.11/2/44/510, 4th Cross, Vallabhanagar, Uttarhalli, Bangalore 560 061

Place of Auction: At the places mentioned in column no. 5
Date of Auction: As per details in column No.5 above and on 'AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION' basis.
Terms and Conditions:

1. To participate in the Auction, the intending bidders have to deposit a sum of Rs.25000-00 by way of DD as EMD favoring The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-Operative Bank Limited, Bengalore payable at Bangelore on the date of Auction before 10.30am.
2. The successful bidder should pay 25% of the bid amount immediately on the same day and the balance of 75% within 15 days in single installment by way of DD as stated above. If the successful bidder defaults in effecting payment or fails to adhere to the terms of sale in any manner, the amount already deposited will be forfeited and he/she shall not have any claim on such forfeited amount.
3. All other liabilities charges and expenses like legal charges, stamp duty, registration fee/cost etc. shall be borne by the purchaser only.
4. On receipt of the entire bid amount and on confirmation of sale the undersinged shall issue a Certificate of Sale in favor of the purchaser in the form given in the aforesaid Act.
5. The deposit of the unsuccessful bidders would be returned without interest immediately on conclusion of the Auction.
6. The Undesigned shall have powers to include or exclude or accept or reject bids or postpone/ cancel the Auction without assigning any reason thereof including addition or deletion of other terms.
7. For inspection of the property and other particulars the intending bidders may contact the undersigned at Head Office during office hours between 10.00 AM and 5.00PM.
8. For further details contact The Assistant Manager of the Bank.

Place: Bengaluru
Date:17.02.2021

Sd/- Authorised Officer
The Bhavasara Kshatriya Co-operative Bank Ltd., Bengaluru

Du Plessis quits Test cricket to focus on WT20

Former South African captain Faf du Plessis announced Wednesday he had retired from Test cricket with immediate effect. Du Plessis, 36, said that he would continue to be available for ODIs and T20Is. "The next two years are T20 World Cup years. Because of this, my focus is shifting to this format and I want to play as much of it as possible," he said.

TSITSI-PASS

Greek ends Nadal's Slam record bid in five gripping sets in quarters

AFP @ Melbourne

GREECE'S Stefanos Tsitsipas recovered from two sets down to stun Rafael Nadal in the Australian Open quarterfinals on Wednesday, ending the Spaniard's bid for a record 21st Grand Slam title. Second seed Nadal was on course for a comfortable victory before Tsitsipas turned the match around to prevail 3-6, 2-6, 7-6 (7/4), 6-4, 7-5 in a seismic upset.

In women's singles, top seed and home hope Ashleigh Barty's campaign came to a juddering halt in the quarterfinals on Wednesday, just as fans were cleared to return after an eerie, five-day lockdown.

"I don't know what happened after the third set — I fly like little bird, everything was working for me," Tsitsipas said. It was just the second time Nadal had lost when two sets up in a Grand Slam, having previously fallen to Fabio Fognini in the 2015 US Open. Fifth seed Tsitsipas will play Daniil Medvedev in the semifinal.

Meanwhile, the No 1 Barty's campaign was ended by Czech's Karolina Muchova, who stunned her 1-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Stefanos Tsitsipas' father Apostolos embraces him after the win on Wednesday | AP

RESULTS | QUARTERFINALS

Singles: Men: D Medvedev (RUS x4) bt A Rublev (RUS x7) 7-5, 6-3, 6-2; S Tsitsipas (GRE x5) bt R Nadal (ESP x2) 3-6, 2-6, 7-6 (7/4), 6-4, 7-5.

Women: K Muchova (CZE x25) bt A Barty (AUS x1) 1-6, 6-3, 6-2; J Brady (USA x22) bt J Pegula (USA) 4-6, 6-2, 6-1.

THURSDAY'S FIXTURES (SEMIS)

Women: N Osaka (JPN x3) vs S Williams (USA x10) | 8.30 am; K Muchova (CZE x25) vs Jennifer Brady (USA x22) | 9.45am

Men: N Djokovic (SRB x1) vs A Karatsev (RUS) | 2pm

LIVE ON SONY SIX

Indian GP: Entry list thin but AFI is OK

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

THE wait is finally over for athletes. The first Indian Grand Prix after pandemic begins in Patiala on Thursday. The wait had been torture and many athletes were looking forward to this event. However, the start list doesn't reveal their urge to compete. The entry list is thin, but Athletics Federation of India (AFI) had expected it because of higher entry standard. Most of the athletes in the first Indian GP are from the national camp in Patiala.

Indian athletics usually revolves around the 400m relay teams, both men's and women's, and the field athletes like the horizontal jumpers and the throwers. Going by the entry list, some of the big names in 400m are missing. The India chief coach Radhakrishnan Nair during an interview with this newspaper had said World junior gold medallist in 400m women's Hima Das would be running sprints — 100m and 200m this season. Interestingly, her name is missing. So is VK Vismaya's in women's 400m. Another 400m exponent Anjali Devi, who had won a gold at the National Inter-State Championships in Lucknow in 2019, has entered only in 200m.

Adille Sumariwalla, the AFI president said this was not surprising. "We did not want too many people coming from outside," he said. "That's why the entry standard was very high. This is just a warm-up and first meet they are running after a year. So the coaches have decided on the events and who will run what depending on what they are targeting to achieve. We have left it to the coaches to decide on athletes' participation."

"And this is the first GP," he added. "As the GP and other competitions progress, athletes will compete in their main events." On Hima, he did not want to comment and will wait for coaches report.

For Federation Cup, he expects more entries. "The athletes will not run all out and will be taking this as a warm-up competition because of such a long break. Great performances not going to happen now. We are targeting July for our athletes to peak."

In shot put, absent Tejinder Pal Toor is missing. He is recovering from injury sustained in the throwing hand.

AUCTION REPLAY

It is that time of the year where 292 cricketers from around the world will go under hammer at the IPL auction. Here is what to expect at the auctions happening on Thursday in Chennai...

BIG NAMES IN FRAY

Overseas: Aaron Finch, Alex Hales, Steve Smith, Jason Roy, Shakib Al Hasan, Moeen Ali, Glenn Maxwell, Dawid Malan, Chirs Morris, Mustafizur Rahman, Mark Wood, Sheldon Cotrell, Nathan Couter-Nile, Ben Cutting, Moises Henriques, Marnus Labuschagne, Kyle Jamieson, James Neesham, Carlos Brathwaite, Isuru Udana.

Indian: Umesh Yadav, Kedar Jadhav, Harbhajan Singh, Karun Nair, Shivam Dube, Piyush Chawla, Varun Aaron, Pawan Negi.

WHAT ARE THEY AFTER

CHENNAI SUPER KINGS | Available purse: ₹19.90 crore | Slots left: 6

They need impact players, especially with the bat. With just one overseas slot remaining, Chennai already seem to have eyes on a player. Who is it is the question.

DELHI CAPITALS | Available purse: ₹13.40 crore | Slots left: 8

They have all the bases covered. They will use the auction to get their back-ups.

PUNJAB KINGS | Available purse: ₹53.30 crore | Slots left: 9

After releasing quite a few players, they will use the auction to fill in major holes.

KOLKATA KNIGHT RIDERS | Available purse: ₹10.75 crore | Slots left: 8

Bowling has been an issue over the last couple of seasons. Even in batting, they have lacked a reliable top-order bat.

MUMBAI INDIANS | Available purse: ₹15.35 crore | Slots left: 7

Their XI is sealed. But they will definitely be after overseas pacers as they have only one in Trent Boult.

RAJASTHAN ROYALS | Available purse: ₹37.85 crore | Slots left: 9

They need at least a couple of middle-order batsmen and seamer who could do the supporting act.

ROYAL CHALLENGERS BANGALORE | Available purse: ₹35.40 crore | Slots left: 11

Will be looking for all-rounders and a top-order batsman.

SUNRISERS HYDERABAD | Available purse: ₹10.75 crore | Slots left: 3

Have only three slots and expect them to go for one overseas fast bowler.

INDIAN PREMIER LEAGUE

Uncapped players in focus

K GOWTHAM (KARNATAKA)

The off-spinner, who can hit the ball a long way, has previously been used as a finisher by Rajasthan Royals. With the Kings XI Punjab last season, he failed to make the same impact. But don't be surprised if he is among the big buys.

SHAHRUKH KHAN (TAMIL NADU)

Lit the Syed Mushtaq Ali T20 tournament with his blitzkrieg which helped TN lift the title. A clean-hitting batsman, who can also bowl off-spin, this SRK has created interest among few franchises.

MOHAMMED AZHARUDDEEN (KERALA)

Scored a scintillating century against Mumbai in the Mushtaq Ali event. Although opening slots are occupied, he could be bought as a back-up opener.

The likes of M Siddharth, J Suchith, G Periyasamy, Ankit Rajpoot, Tushar Deshpande will also gain interest.

Amid Covid scare, Indian judokas set to begin campaign

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

AMID Covid-19 scare at the Tel Aviv Grand Slam in Israel, three Indian judokas including the country's best bet Jasleen Singh Saini (-66kg) will be seen in action on Day 1 on Thursday. Apart from Saini, Vijay Kumar Yadav (-60kg) and L Shushila Devi (-48kg) will also take on their respective opponents on the first day of the event, which has Olympic ranking points.

The Israel health ministry on Tuesday confirmed that among foreign delegations, who reached the country for the tournament, five tested 'borderline' positive for coronavirus. However, they claimed that most of them were part of the teams and not the athletes themselves. According to the ministry, the results could indicate that individuals recently recovered from the virus.

Earlier, it also admitted that five workers had returned positive, but they had not entered the venue nor had come in contact with the athletes.

Umesh to join squad after fitness test

NEW DELHI: The selectors on Wednesday retained 17 of the 18 members in the Indian squad for the final two Tests against England while senior pacer Umesh Yadav's inclusion would depend on his fitness assessment ahead of the day/night game in Ahmedabad. Shardul Thakur is the only player who will be released to compete in the Vijay Hazare Trophy. The left-arm spinner Shahbaz Nadeem has been dropped from stand-by list.

Squad: Kohli (C), Rohit, Agarwal, Gill, Pujara, Rahane, Rahul, Pandya, Pant (wk), Saha (wk), Ashwin, Kuldeep, Axar, Washington, Ishant, Bumrah, Siraj.

EXPRESS READ

Goa beat Odisha

BAMBOLIM: After six draws on a trot, FC Goa finally produced a win against Odisha FC in the ISL, with the race for the top four in line. Goa won 3-1 at the Fatorda Stadium on Wednesday. This loss was Odisha's 11th of the season.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Guv objects torch relay

TOKYO: A governor in a western Japanese prefecture is talking about cancelling torch relay events in his area ahead of the Olympics. Reports said that Governor Tatsuya Maruyama of Shimane prefecture is unhappy with Covid prevention measures.

Mbappe hat-trick blows away Barca, Reds win

BARCELONA: Kylian Mbappé outplayed Lionel Messi as Paris Saint-Germain put Barcelona up against the ropes in the Champions League again. And with Mbappé in that kind of form, it's hard to see Barcelona staging epic comeback this time. After Messi put Barcelona ahead from the penalty spot, Mbappé netted a hat-trick at the Camp Nou Stadium on Tuesday to give PSG a 4-1 win in the first leg of their Round of 16 matchup. Liverpool rediscovered lost form and seized the initiative against RB Leipzig by cruising to a 2-0 win in a chilly Budapest on Tuesday.

LOCAL EXPRESS

Karnataka pair emerge champion

BENGALURU: Karnataka's JN Shamsundar and B Rajesh clinched the men's doubles title in the All India Carrom Tournament -- conducted by India Post, Department of Posts -- in Lucknow recently. They defeated Tamil Nadu's Kishore Kumar and Bharthidasan in the final.

Karnataka's B Rajesh and JN Shamsundar with the trophy

Tanvi stun top seed Ridhi in tennis tourney

BENGALURU: Little known Sree Tanvi Dasari beat top seed Ridhi Choudhary to enter the quarterfinals of the AITA U16 tennis tournament on Wednesday. The 14-year-old overcame her fancied opponent 6-2, 4-6, 6-4. In the boys section, all the top four seeds advanced to the last 16 stage with easy victories.

Ankith shines in Young Challengers win

BENGALURU: Ankith P scored a brace to help Young Challengers FC beat Bangalore Dream United FC 2-0 in the BDFA Super Division League here on Wednesday. After a goalless first half, Ankith opened the scoring in the 58th minute and doubled their lead 15 minutes later.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **S. Chandrashekar, S/o.Sri.Shivalingaiah,** Aged about 31 years, Residing at No. 5/A, 2nd Cross, Behind Magnum Honda, Ganapathipura, Bangalore South, Konanakunte, Bangalore 560 062, has intended to purchase the schedule property from **Smt. Shivamma, W/o of Late. Mahadevegowda,** Aged about 60 years, Formarly Residing at No.27, 33rd Main road, 16th cross, J.P Nagar 6th phase, Bangalore – 560 078 and presently Resiging at No.3, 41st Main, 4th Cross, B.T.M 2nd stage, Bommanahalli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore – 560 068. If any person/s having any claim, right, title and interest of whatsoever nature over the schedule property, may forward their objections/ to the undersigned in writing (via e-mail or through post), with supporting documents of your such claims **within 3 days** from the date of publication of this notice. Failing which it will be deemed that there are no claim, right, title and interest by anybody and my client will proceed for completion of sale transaction and thereafter no claims will be considered.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the site bearing No. 26 (Twenty Six), carved out of Sy. No. 4 (converted for non-agricultural residential purpose under order dated 26-02-1993 by the order of District Commissioner, under Order no. BDIS.ALN.SR.(S) 322/92-93), situated at Lingadiranahalli Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring East to West 40-0" (Forty) feet and North to South 30-0" feet, totally measuring 1200 Square Feet and bounded on : **East by:** 25 feet Road; **West by:** Private Property; **North by :** Site No. 25; **South by:** Private Property.

K.Chethan Kumar, Advocate
No.39/3, Goverdhan Garden,
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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that our Clients - **Mr. T S V Mani Iyer and Mr. Venkatesh Shivram,** are intending to purchase **Apartment No. C2 – 108, bearing khata no. 4748/C2/0108,** I Floor, Block No. C-2, in L & T South City Apartment Complex, Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring 1365 sq.ft., (which is more fully described hereinbelow and hereinafter referred as "**Schedule Property**"), from its present owners - **Mr. Guruprasad Sathyanarayana and Mrs. Parimala Guruprasad.** If anyone is having any objection, claim, interest, dispute in respect of the above intended transaction of sale in respect of the Schedule Property, they may contact the undersigned with documentary proof substantiating their objection/claims/ details of dispute within **ten (10) days** from the date of this publication, failing which, our Client will proceed with completion of the sale transaction with the above mentioned owners, as if there are no third party claims/ objections disputes in respect of the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Apartment No. C2 – 108, bearing khata no. 4748/C2/0108, I Floor, Block No. C-2, in L & T South City Apartment Complex, situated at Survey No. 91, 92 (part), 93 (part), 94, 95, 90/1 and 96/1, Kothanur Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, and bounded on: **East by** : Arakere village; **West by :** Natural drain running South to North and land belonging to Mrs. K C Puttamma and others; **North by** : Puttanahalli village; and **South by :** Survey No. 90/2 and 96/2 belonging to Mr. P.Narayanaswamy.

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Sl. No	Tender Inviting Authority	Specification No.	Total
1	CE/Hydro	HE 2399, HE 2400	2
	TAMIL NADU TRANSMISSION CORPORATION LTD.		
2	CE/C/Transmission	T 37	1

For details of works/Procurement/Due date of submission/opening, viewing and downloading of e-tenders, please visit websites: www.tangedco.org, www.tantransco.org, www.tnebnet.org, www.tenders.tn.gov.in, https://tntenders.gov.in/nicgep/app

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TENDER NOTIFICATION

Sub: **e-tender IC/2020-21/IND744 stands cancelled and same is re-tendered for supply, installation, Commissioning and Operation of Laboratory equipments at S. Nijalingappa Sugar Institute, College of B.Sc (Sugar Science & Technology)**

1. The Contractors are invited for Supply, Installation, Commissioning and Operation of Laboratory equipments at S.Nijalingappa Sugar Institute, College of B.Sc.(Sugar Science & Technology).
2. The details for Supply, Installation, Commissioning and Operation of Laboratory equipments at S.Nijalingappa Sugar Institute, College of B.Sc.(Sugar Science & Technology) and requirements can be viewed in IC/2020-21/IND760/CALL-2 from e - portal https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in.
3. The last date for receipt of the tender documents in the e-procurement portal is on **26.02.2021** upto 17.00 hrs .

Date 17.02.2021 Sd/- Director

TAMILNADU CEMENTS CORPORATION LIMITED
(A GOVERNMENT OF TAMILNADU UNDERTAKING)
L.L.A. Building, II Floor, 735, Anna Salai, Chennai-600 002.
Short e-TENDER NOTICE

e-tender Reference No.	NAME OF THE WORK	Value (Rs.)	EMD (Rs.)	Due Date
48/2020-21	Supply of Manpower to various departments at Ariyalur Cement Works, Ariyalur District, Tamil Nadu	15.70 Crore	2,50,000	05.03.2021
49/2020-21	Supply of Manpower to various departments at Alangulam Cement Works, Virudhunagar District.	3.50 Crore	1,00,000	05.03.2021

Important Note: A pre-bid meeting for the above two tenders will be held on 26.02.2021 at 3.00 pm & 3.30 pm at TANCEM, Corporate Office, No.735, L.L.A. Building, II Floor, Anna Salai, Chennai-600 002. The tender documents can be downloaded from **www.tntenders.gov.in.** Corrigendum / Addendum to this publication, if any would appear only on the above said website.

DIPR/1217/TENDER/2021 GENERAL MANAGER (MARKETING)

GREATER CHENNAI CORPORATION
PARKS DEPARTMENT
P.D.C.No.P2/222/2021
SHORT e-TENDER NOTICE

Tenders are invited by the Superintending Engineer / Parks for the following work as per details furnished below:	
1. Formation of New Park in Dn-53, Zone-5	Rs.828.80 lakhs
2. Formation of New Playfield in Dn-41, Zn-4	Rs.605.21 lakhs
E.M.D.:1% of Tender Value	
For more information see www. tntenders.gov.in and www.chennaicorporation.gov.in	
Due Date and Time for Submission of tender: 04.03.2021 upto 3.00 pm	
Tender opening date and time : 05.03.2021 @ 3.30 pm.	
Pre bid meeting date and time : 25.02.2021 @ 3.00 pm.	

DIPR/1225/Tender/2021 Superintending Engineer (Parks)

PUBLIC NOTICE

THIS IS TO INFORM THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT my client proposes to purchase Survey No. 958/2A extent Ac.0.94 Cents, Survey No.800/2 extent Ac.2.42 Cents and Survey No.796/1 extent Ac.1.96 Cents of KUNDAMARANAPALLI Village of Denkanikotta Taluk, Krishnagiri District from the M/s. Silver Creek Plantations Limited. If any person/s /institution/s has/have any objection/ claim or charge in respect of the above-mentioned properties, such objection or claim shall be intimated to the undersigned in writing with sufficient proof of its/his/their/her claim WITHIN SEVEN DAYS (7 DAYS) of this publication. If no such claim or objection is received, it shall be construed that the above-mentioned properties proposed to be purchased is free from all encumbrances, charges, claims and litigations whatsoever and my client/s (or) nominee/s will proceed with the transaction as bonafide purchaser/s with the above said property owner. No claim or objection in future will be entertained.

J.SUDHA REDDY, B.A., LL.L.B.,
ADVOCATE,
HOSUR – 635 109
KRISHNAGIRI DISTRICT
CELL: 9487581958

PLACE: HOSUR
DATE:18.02.2021

MAHILA CO-OPERATIVE BANK LTD.
Administrative Office : No. 14, South End Road, Sheshadripuram,
Bengaluru - 560 020. Phone : 080 - 2356 2229, 2356 4678, 98804 53464.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY- SALE NOTICE

This is to notify that the following mentioned property is put for sale in public auction as provided under Rule 38 of the Karnataka Co-operative Societies Act & Rules towards satisfaction of Decree obtained against the defaulter, by **Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd., Peenya Branch, Bangalore - 560 057.** The proposed public auction of the scheduled property will be conducted as per the following terms and conditions.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of the Defaulter	CEP No.	Details of the Immovable Property	Place of Auction	Date of Auction	Recovery Amount Due to Bank
1.	**Smt. Radhamma W/o Late Revanna and Sri. Chethan R, S/o Late Revanna No. 1528, 13th B-Cross, Kalyananagar, T-Dasarahalli, Bengaluru - 57.**	ARE/UBF/ 175/ 2019-20	No.19, Khatha No. 517 and 518, Sy No. 69/7, Mallasandra Village, Yeshwanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, BBMP Ward No.13, Presently No.19, 13th B-Cross, Kalyananagar, T-Dasarahalli, Bengaluru - 560 057. **Measurements : East to West : (32+36)/2 Fts North to South : 30'-0" Fts Boundaries : East :** Road, **West :** Road, **North :** Remaining Property, **South :** Private Property	No.19, 13th B-Cross, Kalyananagar, T-Dasarahalli, Bengaluru - 560 057. (In front of the Scheduled property)	**20-02-2021 Saturday From 11.00 a.m.**	**Rs. 77,65,390/- + further interest & other charges from 01-01-2021**

For further details, it is requested to contact the Sale Officer or General Manager of the Bank. Ph: 080-2356 4678, 080-2839 5800, Mob : 98804 53464.

Terms & Conditions : 1) If the defaulter makes payment of the entire due amount before the auction, no auction will be conducted. **2)** Those who are interested to participate in the auction shall deposit **Rs. 25,000/-** by cash towards initial deposit before Participating in the auction. **3)** The Highest Bidder immediately after conclusion of the auction shall deposit 15% of the bid amount and to obtain the receipt. The Balance of 85% along with Registration Charges shall be paid within 45 days of the auction. In default the amount Already paid by the Bidder will be forfeited and shall not be refunded. **4)** In the event the property sold in the lower price it is the discretion of the Sale Officer to conclude or to cancel the auction. **5)** The Bidder who is participating on behalf of other persons shall produce authorization letter to the Sale Officer. **6)** In the event, if the auction is concluded for below the market rate, the Bank is at liberty to bid in the auction and to purchase The property. **7)** The property will be sold wherever as it is condition. **8)** The Government is not responsible for any discrepancies in mentioning the details and measurement of the property.

Date : 17-02-2021
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Sale Officer
Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd., Seshadripuram, Banglore - 560 020.

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DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)] TO BORROWER/GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR
NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

'We, **Canara Bank, RAH MG Road Branch,** had issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledgement returned due to non-availability of addressees at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

Name and Address of the Borrower / Co-Borrower / Mortgagor / Guarantor : 1) Ms. Vandana Shree Shaw & 2) Ms. Parimala Shree Shaw D.204, Victoria Haven Apartments, Domlur Layout, Bangalore-560071.

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Sl. No.	Loan No	Nature of Loan/Limit	Date of sanction	Sanctioned Amount
1	0887651011784	EDUCATION LOAN	11.08.2014	Rs.30,00,000.00
2	0887651011793	EDUCATION LOAN	20.08.2015	Rs.3,40,000.00

Total Liability Amont: Rs.44,30,625.70 (Rupees Fourty Four Lakhs Thirty Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Five and Paise Seventy Only) further cost and charges and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date : 01.02.2020 **Demand Notice Dated : 06.11.2020**

Description Immovable Property: Vacant Site No. 285, E Block, Khatha No. 192/E/285, Sy.No.33, Vajragiri Layout, Hampapura Village, Kengeri Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Site Measuring East to West 60 feet and North to South 100 feet and bounded on the East by: Site No.286, West by: Site No.284, North by: Site No.296, South by: Road. Name of the Title Holder Ms. Parimala Shree Shaw

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrower / Guarantors / Mortgager including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 17.02.2021 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Canara Bank**

A baby has been born following a uterus transplant for the first time ever in France. Such births are extremely rare but not unprecedented, and come after a cutting-edge procedure to transplant a healthy uterus into a woman whose own is damaged or missing. The baby, a girl weighing 1.845 kg, was born on Friday, according to the team at the Foch hospital outside Paris.

PIONEERING COVID INFECTION TRIAL GETS APPROVAL

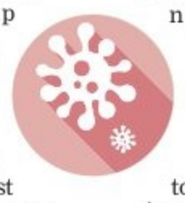
First-of-its-kind study will deliberately expose 90 volunteers to coronavirus

RESEARCH

LONDON: A study which will expose volunteers to the coronavirus is to begin in Britain within a month after it gained approval from the country's clinical ethics body, the government said on Wednesday.

The study, the first of its kind in the world, will expose up to 90 volunteers between 18 and 30 years old to Covid-19 in a controlled environment, the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy said.

The trial will look to establish the smallest amount of virus needed to cause infection, in order to help develop vaccines and treatments.



"While there has been very positive progress in vaccine development, we want to find the best and most effective vaccines for use over the longer term," Business Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng said.

The study will "help accelerate scientists' knowledge of how coronavirus affects people and could eventually further the rapid development of vaccines," he said.

Britain, one of the hardest-hit countries in the world by the coronavirus with more than 118,000 deaths, was also the first Western nation to begin a Covid vaccination campaign.

The country passed a vaccine milestone at the weekend with 15 million people having received their first jabs.

The government is targeting another 17 million people by the end of April, including everyone aged 50 and above, plus starting on second doses.

The study, backed by £33.6 million ($46.6 million, 38.6 million euros) in government funding, will work in partnership with London's Royal Free Hospital.

Its secure clinical research facilities are specifically designed to contain the virus, the government said.

Once the initial phase of the study has concluded, vaccines proven to be safe in clinical trials could be given to small numbers of volunteers who are then exposed to the Covid-19 virus, helping to identify the most effective vaccines.

"Our eventual aim is to establish which vaccines and treatments work best in beating this disease, but we need volunteers to support us in this work," said chief investigator Chris Chiu from Imperial College London.

During the study, medics and scientists will be on hand 24 hours a day to ensure the safety of volunteers as well as monitor the effects of the virus.

S Africa vax campaign

President Cyril Ramaphosa was among the first to be inoculated Wednesday as South Africa launched its coronavirus vaccine campaign using Johnson & Johnson jabs, after the rollout was delayed.

EXFILE • ARCHITECTURE

KONARK'S TIME-TELLING TEMPLE TALE

The Odisha government plans to make its already world famous temples a major draw for tourists through a slew of beautification projects in the next few years. The Sun Temple at Konark, too, figures on the list. The buzz surrounding its renovation is a throwback to its halcyon days when it was the fulcrum of the town's social and spiritual life, with its resplendent jagamohana (open-air theatre). Here's a bird's eye view of what the majestic architectural marvel on the East Coast meant for people of the temple town and beyond

BUILT
1250
(estimate)

PATRON
Narasimhadeva I of the Eastern Ganga Dynasty

Chief Architect: Bishu Maharana

DEDICATED TO:
Sun God, Surya

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intricate artwork, iconography, and themes

STYLE
Kalinga Architecture

LOCATION:
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THE NAME KONARK COMES FROM THE COMBINATION OF TWO SANSKRIT WORDS: KONA (ANGLE) AND ARK (SUN)

KNOW THIS

Shikhara: The structure above the inner sanctum in north Indian temples

Vimana: Comprises the sanctum and the structure above it in the south Indian and Odisha style of temples

KALINGA ARCHITECTURE

The style consists of three distinct types of temples: Rekha Deula, Pidha Deula and Khakhara Deula

Rekha Deula and Pidha Deula are associated with Vishnu, Surya and Shiva temples

Khakhara Deula is mainly associated with Chamunda and Durga temples

The Rekha Deula and Khakhara Deula houses are the sanctum sanctorum while the Pidha Deula constitutes outer dancing and offering halls

KONARK SUN TEMPLE IS AN EXAMPLE OF REKHA DEULA

What remains of the temple complex has the appearance of a 100-foot-high chariot with immense wheels and horses, all carved from stone

PRESENT STATUS

Once over 200 feet high, much of the temple is now in ruins, in particular the large shikara tower over the sanctuary

WHAT DOES IT REPRESENT

12 pairs of wheels drawn by seven horses marshaled by Aruna, evoking the movement of Sun God across the heavens

24 Carved wheels on the north and south sides refer to the cycle of the seasons and months

7 horses named after the seven meters of Sanskrit prosody: Gayatri, Brihati, Ushnih, Jagati, Trishtubha, Anushtubha, and Pankti represent days of the week

2 goddesses flanking Surya: Usha and Pratyusha. The goddesses are shown shooting arrows, which represent a symbolic act of challenging the darkness

8 spokes each wheel has. Each spoke represents a prahar, which is a 3-hour period, adding up to 24 hours of a day

CONSTRUCTION
Spanned 12 years
Used 1,200 artisans

LEGEND

Twelve years into the project, architect Bishu Maharana was running behind schedule, with the god's crown not yet complete. Angered, king Narasingha Deva I threatened to execute all 1,200 craftsmen. Bishu's young son Dharmapada completed the crown. But worried that the king — incensed over a child having done the task — would kill the craftsmen anyway, Dharmapada took his own life

VIEW TO REMEMBER

When viewed from inland during the dawn and sunrise, the chariot-shaped temple appears to emerge from the depths of the blue sea carrying the sun

DID YOU KNOW

It was so built that the first ray of the sun fell on the gigantic sun idol kept inside the main complex

Even today you can tell the time by the rays of the sun falling on the wheels, which also act as sundials

It is believed that the sun idol here was suspended in the air as magnets were used in the construction

The stones used for making this temple were brought from other countries

Rich countries must switch to synthetic beef, says Bill Gates

CLIMATE

BOSTON: Plant-based alternatives to meats have been in the news in recent years as the sustainability discourse builds towards a greener future. Now, Bill Gates is backing such synthetic alternatives to beef.

"I don't think the poorest 80 countries will be eating synthetic meat. I do think all rich countries should move to 100% synthetic beef. You can get used to the taste difference, and the claim is they're going to make it taste even better over time. Eventually, that green premium is modest enough that you can sort of change the [behavior of] people or use regulation to totally shift the demand," Gates said in an interview with *MIT Technology Review*.

Unlike India, many rich countries are responsible for unsustaianable food practices, such as large-scale consumption of beef and pork.

"Now the people like Memphis Meats who do it at a cellular level—I don't know that that will ever be economical. But Impossible and Beyond have a road map, a quality road map and a cost road map, that makes them totally competitive," Gates was quoted as saying, in reference to companies in the faux meat sector. "As for scale today, they don't represent 1% of the meat in the world, but they're on their way."

He added that livestock in the US is more productive, in terms of emissions per pound of beef, than poor countries in Africa and elsewhere. "we'll have to use animal genetics to dramatically raise the amount of beef per emissions for them," he told *MIT Technology Review*.

FACT OF THE MATTER

1st carbon netural ship

CLIMATE

Danish shipping giant AP Moller-Maersk announced Wednesday it would launch the "world's first carbon neutral" vessel by 2023, seven years ahead of its initial target. Originally scheduled for 2030, the company said the launch had been "fast-tracked by advances in technology and increasing customer demand for sustainable supply chains." The ship will run on biomethanol and will be deployed in one of Maersk's "intra-regional networks." Maersk also noted that around half of its 200 largest customers have already set, or are in the process of setting, "ambitious science-based or zero carbon targets for their supply chains, and the figure is on the rise." The company had sold its oil division in 2017.

Probe into paleoviruses

RESEARCH

Russian state laboratory Vektor on Tuesday announced it was launching research into prehistoric viruses by analysing the remains of animals recovered from melted permafrost. The Siberia-based lab said in a statement that the aim of the project was to identify paleoviruses and conduct advanced research into virus evolution. The research in collaboration with the University of Yakutsk began with analysis of tissues extracted from a prehistoric horse (pictured above) believed to be at least 4,500 years old. Vektor said the remains were discovered in 2009 in Yakutia, a vast Siberian region where remains of Paleolithic animals including mammoths are regularly discovered.

IN A PINCH

A person pushes a baby stroller past a loading dock mural of a hand on the Upper East Side of New York City | AFP

Doc known for aviation medicine work dies

HEALTH

SINGAPORE: Dr Jarnail Singh, an Indian-origin aviation medicine physician, who became an internationally renowned authority on stopping the spread of communicable diseases via air travel, has died in Singapore, according to a media report.

Dr Singh, 67, died on February 6. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter, the Straits Times reported.

He was the first chairman of the Civil Aviation Medical Board of the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) and headed several other local and global aviation medicine organisations.

He coordinated the international response during the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) outbreak in 2003 that allowed the aviation sector to get back on its feet, the paper said on Tuesday.

Dr Singh also used his expertise to chair the CAAS' ultra-long-range task force, which put Singapore on the map by launching the world's first non-stop ultra-long-range commercial flight from Singapore to New York in 2004. His death has prompted tributes from those in the aviation.

EU RAMPS UP RESEARCH INTO VARIANTS

SCIENCE

BRUSSELS: Amid signs that more infectious coronavirus variants are spreading unchecked across Europe, governments and EU leaders scrambled Wednesday to speed up vaccine efforts that have been hampered by limited supplies and to fund ways to hunt down variants and counter them.

The European Union has agreed to buy a further 300 million doses of Moderna's Covid-19 vaccine and was injecting almost a quarter of a billion euros into efforts to combat virus variants.

ICE AGE GIANTS

DNA sequenced from million-yr-old mammoths

PALAEONTOLOGY

PARIS: Teeth from mammoths buried in the Siberian permafrost for more than a million years have yielded the world's oldest DNA ever sequenced, according to a study published on Wednesday, shining the genetic searchlight into the deep past.

Researchers said the three specimens, one roughly 800,000 years old and two over a million years old, provide important insights into the giant Ice Age mammals, including the ancient heritage of the woolly mammoth.

The genomes far exceed the oldest previously sequenced DNA – a horse

dating between 780,000 to 560,000 years ago.

"This DNA is incredibly old. The samples are a thousand times older than Viking remains, and even predate the existence of humans and Neanderthals," said Love Dalen, a professor of evolutionary genetics at the Centre for Palaeogenetics in Stockholm, senior author of the study in Nature.

The mammoths were originally discovered in the 1970s in Siberia and held at the Russian Academy of Sciences in Moscow.

Researchers first dated the specimens geologically, with comparisons to other species, like small rodents, known to be unique to particular time periods and found in the same sedimentary layers. This suggested that two of the mammals were ancient steppe mammoths more than a million years old.

The youngest of the trio is one of the earliest woolly mammoths yet found.

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THURSDAY

DAY'S DIARY

Pluto discovered

American astronomer Clyde William Tombaugh discovered Pluto, the ninth planet in our solar system, on this day in 1930

OTHER CREDITS

He also discovered several clusters of stars and galaxies, studied the apparent distribution of extragalactic nebulae, and made observations of the surfaces of Mars, Venus, Jupiter, Saturn and the Moon

UNIDENTIFIED PLANET

American businessman Percival Lowell had a passion for astronomy. He was interested in Planet X. Lowell hired Clyde to examine and compare the photos in an effort to detect an unidentified moving point of light that might be a planet

SCHOLARSHIP

Clyde discovered Pluto years before he attended college. After his discovery, he was awarded a scholarship and began studying astronomy at the University of Kansas

'I didn't feel the need to apply glycerine in Pogaru'

PG 4

BRAND NEW ACT

Musician Raghu Dixit is now ready to step into the shoes of an actor, as he makes his debut in Kannada film, *Bang*

VIDYA IYENGAR

IT'S a year where Raghu Dixit is allowing life to happen without forcing anything. And that's exactly how it's panning out. A movie offer to play protagonist, being part producer for a film, learning how to swim... Dixit is throwing himself at the deep end, confident of handling the waters. In April last year, after a health scare that included skyrocketing blood pressure, he decided to take charge of his wellbeing. From being "obese" to now trimming down considerably, Dixit's life is all about discipline. "I've given up all grains and fruit, and only stick to one meal a day at 6pm which is basically palya. I kickstart my day with a green drink in the afternoon at 1.30. I put my academic background in biochemistry to use and figured out how my body works," he says. Was the transformation owing to an inkling about a film in the works? "Not at all. In fact, I've just been told to look and act my real self – witty and humourous. When I took charge of things last year, I just told my old self that I can't go on the way I did."

frankly speaking

When the makers of Dixit-starrer *Bang*, including director Sree Ganesh Parashuram and music composer Ritvik Muralidhar, came over to his studio, Dixit assumed it was something to do with music. "Even when they said it was something different, I thought they wanted me to sing. When they said it was for a lead role, I just said 'What?' I told them I didn't want to be laughed at. But it's still a mystery about how they zeroed in on me," he says with a laugh. Sometime last week, he got the first glimpse of being in front of the camera when he shot for a flashback scene. "It went off pretty well and I remember thinking, 'Is that all there is to acting'?," he says. For the role opposite Shanvi Srivastava, Dixit is also preparing for some hardcore workshops, including a choreographed martial arts fight sequence.

He's got his plate full with three films and a web series for which he is composing music, and a couple of acting offers, and his own yet-to-be-titled album, which focuses on healing and happiness, a sort of reflection of his own life. "I'm also looking forward to a film, *Orchestra*, which focuses on the orchestra culture in my home city, Mysuru. It's very close to my heart," he says about the film for which he is part producer.

It's been a busy morning for the artiste who has just completed his driving lesson for the day – learning how to change tyres. "I was tired of being taunted all these years for turning up on a Activa for an awards' function," says the 46-year-old. Co-incidentally, his younger brother, musician Vasu Dixit, has also been taking driving lessons. It's sibling rivalry at its best when he says he had no clue that Vasu was doing the same until he sent him a photograph of the Wagon-R he bought. "In response, he sent a picture of his Alto. It's so uncanny that both of us picked up the car at the same time, both cars made in the year 2006, and we paid around the same price for them. And we're also taking classes without having discussed it at all. So surreal," he says. Will his brother be signing a new movie too? "You have to let me know, because he won't," he says with a laugh.

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Raghu Dixit, musician

INDIAN LUXURY, GLOBAL PRESENCE

STYLE AND THE CITY
Sarayu Hegde

We recently witnessed a true global moment for Indian fashion while Sabyasachi Mukherjee took centre stage at NYC's luxury fashion store – Bergdorg Goodman. The story goes that having returned disillusioned from New York as a young designer, as he said, "Everybody wanted a piece of India as long as it wasn't too Indian," he promised himself that he would return to the city only on his own terms. Housing the very best in fashion, Bergdorf is the destination which marks the arrival of a designer in the global luxury space. Picking up iconic symbols that scream India and converting them into wearable art, like the Bengal tiger on his belts and Taj Mahal embedded on embroidered bags, Sabyasachi is a true picture of India going global. In a recent interview with Vogue India, he said, "We had a very good first session at Bergdorf where we sold close to $2.5 million of jewellery. Realising the power of the brand in America, Bergdorf invited me to do a second round. I would like to see more Indian designers going to the West and selling their clothing to the big Indian diaspora, which can be found everywhere. It's a testament to the power of the Indian consumer. By selling Indian clothes, Bergdorf is raising the bar on inclusivity."

Back home, another iconic design house GoodEarth ushers in the year celebrating 25 years of championing a design philosophy that presents a vision of Indian luxury, which is crafted by hand, inspired by nature and enchanted by history. The brand has been instrumental in establishing the aesthetics for modern Indian homes through its approach of interpreting age-old crafts through a contemporary lens, creating a global product with Indian aesthetic and representing the country's rich craftmanship through their contemporary sensibilities.

Stanley Personal is a new product line by city-based lifestyle brand Stanley, consisting of footwear and accessories for men and women, designed and developed with their experience with genuine leather. The focus is to combine world-class materials with top notch craftsmanship to create a piece full of style and comfort. "We wanted to bridge the gap by bringing in latest European designs, finest materials, master craftsmanship and bespoke custom footwear to our customers, spoiling them for choice in terms of colours and options. Our entire product range is available online," says Sunil Suresh, founder & CEO of the firm.

An outfit by GoodEarth (top); shoes by Stanley Personal

Even though there is immense talent in our country, India has always been considered the manufacturing powerhouse for international luxury brands. It's time we took centre stage.

(The writer is a lifestyle consultant and mindful fashion advocate)

CITY READ

BU announces second round of PhD counselling

The second round of PhD counseling will be held on Feb. 23 at 9.30am. In Jnanabharathi campus PG departments and UVCE, KR Circle. Candidates who were absent and not selected in the first round of counselling are eligible to attend the second round of counselling along with candidates of second list. For details, check Bangalore University's website.

New community engagement programme for city youth

Social enterprise Young Leaders for Active Citizenship has joined hands with Bengaluru Moving, a campaign aimed at seeing a reduction in vehicular emissions. Their 'Mobility Champions' programme is a two-month-long part-time engagement wherein young residents are groomed as 'mobility champions' to explore policy solutions and undertake advocacy for better transportation systems.

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ IS PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**

Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in CE on Thursday.

THE RIGHT ANSWERS ARE

1) Nandi Hills
2) Janatha Bazaar
3) St Martha's Hospital

FIRST THREE TO GET IT RIGHT

1) K N Krishnaprasad
2) G Venkatesh
3) Srikara Dattatreya

Turn your frown upside down with these two plays that revolve around the idea of clowning

EXPRESS FEATURES

Clowning around

A scene from the play *Shakuntalam*

Rupesh Tillu has a lot to look forward to this weekend. When the pandemic struck, the theatre director found himself dealing with mass cancellations of his shows *Madbeth* and *Shakuntalam*. But even as others took the online route to stage performances, Tillu decided to wait it out until theatres reopened. So it's with much excitement that the shows are being staged after a long wait. "*Madbeth* is a highly-interactive physical comedy which didn't fit the digital model. So it didn't really make sense to go that way," says Tillu about the performance which is loosely inspired by Shakespeare's classic. "It's an allegory that dissolves the space between observer and performer. The performance is a combination of slapstick, acrobatics, mime, songs and improvisations," says the Mumbai-based actor, director and independent filmmaker.

The plot involves one man, one throne, one crown and one hilariously tragic experience. "Laughing out loud is a collective experience which is why the wait," he says, adding that he hit upon the idea during his MFA in Physical Comedy from The National School of Dramatic Arts, Sweden.

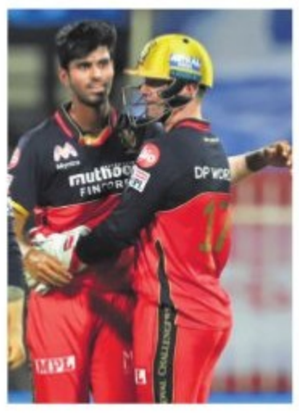
While clowning is associated with Shakespeare's works, Tillu wanted to give it a desi twist, which is what he does in *Shakuntalam*. "It tries to merge clown and mime techniques with one of India's oldest plays – Kalidas's classic *Abhigyan Shakuntalam*," he says, adding, "Clown Mindy portrays Shakuntala, defying the stereotypes attached to it, making her own decisions about her life unlike how it's written in the original play. Clown Kamla and clown Tinu try their best to fit into the roles of sage Kanav, Dushyant, Priyamvada, Indra, messengers and Bharat." He goes on to explain the intricacies... their Hindi script doesn't get the censor clearance and now the clowns are pushed to perform the whole play with the original Sanskrit script. "Will the goof-ups with the ring, Shakuntala's pregnancy, Dyushant's memory loss and language barriers add confusion to the clowns' already chaotic lives or will it give the audience a different perspective on these archetypal characters?" he says.

Both shows have been performed at various theatre festivals across the country. *Madbeth* has also been played in Europe, Israel-Palestine and USA. Now, he hopes, the play will resonate with the Bengaluru audience as well.

Madbeth and Shakuntalam will be staged on Feb 20 and 21 at Ranga Shankara. Tickets: bookmyshow.com

MADE WITH PRIDE

Anuja Chauhan is one happy mama these days. And no, the writer isn't talking about her three kids. One of her latest posts on Instagram shows a stack of six books, all penned by her. Chauhan cheekily captioned the post, "My six babies. All stacked up on the bed on which I made them. Tedhe hain par mere hain". Word!



BIRTHDAY WISHES

RCB bowler Washington Sundar and Bengaluru boy KL Rahul took to social media to wish RCB star Ab de Villiers on his 37th birthday. "Happy birthday legend aka Mr 360 and everyone's favourite @ABdeVilliers17 You make batting look so easy. Have a great day and thank you for inspiring us," wrote KL Rahul. While team spirit unites them on the field, it's clearly friendship that keeps them going off the pitch!

WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

MUSICAL TRIBUTE

Hindustani musicians of Bangalore - flautist Pravin Godkhindi, vocalist Sangeeta Katti and sitarist Anupama Bhagwat – will perform at the finale of "Ravi Shankar @100: India's Global Musician", the centennial exhibition on Pandit Ravi Shankar. **When:** Feb 21, 5:30 pm **Where:** The Indian Music Experience Museum, JP Nagar **Details:** 080 2344 5810

FASHION DEAL

Enjoy a wide range of homegrown apparel by Label Niti Brotha. Get a wide range of techniques in embroidery, fabric manipulation, applique, and a host of varied ideas aimed at comfort and style **Details:** 9620986111

SHOW TIME

Ranga Shankara will hold a literary event based on author M S Sriram's latest book, *'Beteyalla Aatavella'*. The event will be followed by a discussion and a Q&A session. **When:** Feb 21, 11 am **Details:** 9886673090

GIG

Kick start your weekend with a musical gig *The Indian House Music Project* featuring artistes Samprukt Mohanty, Adithya Pandit and DJ Sandeep. The event is hosted by SOCIAL and Fake Tattoos **When:** Feb 19 9pm **Where:** SOCIAL, Church Street **Details:** 091520 17971

SIDEWING BENGALURU WILL BE HOSTING A PLAY *SUDDENAAG SATHODRE*, DIRECTED BY SYLESH KUMAR. THE STORY IS BASED ON CELEBRATING LIFE **WHEN:** FEB 20 **WHERE:** SEVASADANA

MUSICAL NIGHT

Get ready for a musical night as Abe and Kay of My Sour Pack rock the floor to make you groove to some classic hits. From soulful crooners to rock and rollers, the artistes have lined up exciting music for the evening. **When:** Feb 19, 8 pm **Where:** Hard Rock Cafe, Whitefield **Details:** 080 6122 4722

ORGANIC SHOPPING

Get your hands on organic products this month at Madhurya Creations and explore a collection of organic fabrics, summer wear and apparels made by Lotus and Milk fibre. Besides, the designs of the apparels also have a hand embroidery touch to it. **When:** Feb 18 onwards **Where:** Madhurya Creations, Kanakapura Road **Details:** +91 7019138680

BAZAAR HOPPING

Native Baazar–Explore a 10 day extragavanza displaying native and tribal crafts, paintings, and hand crafted textiles. The 12th edition will see a showcase by 90 craft groups, textile designers and weavers. **When:** Feb 19 onwards **Where:** Karnataka Chitrakala Parishath, Kumara Krupa Road, 11am **Details:** – 9480337734

ART EXHIBITION

Visit the art show 'Artem Fusion' to witness the immersive art that promotes creativity and thinking through Metacognition. Artist Vishwanath Mallabadi Davangere is all set to display his art by creating pieces from E-waste and upcycled art. **When:** Feb 18 onwards **Where:** Sublime Galleria, UB City **Details:** sublimehouseoftea.com

DANCE CLASS

Sign up for Jive freestyle level 2 classes to learn high energy social dance which mostly popularized in old school clubs of Bangalore, Mumbai and Kolkata. The cost of the session is Rs 500. **When:** Feb 18 onwards, 7pm **Where:** The Studio by LDVS, Wheeler Road **Details:** 098450 15123

QUICK FIX

What's cooking

IN YOUR KITCHEN?
We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at cityexpresschn@gmail.com.

HEALTHY KERALA FRUIT CAKE

INGREDIENTS

- **Wheat flour:** 1 cup
- **Powdered jaggery:** 3/4 cup
- **Orange:** 2
- **Coconut oil:** 1/4 cup
- Mixed fruit and nuts (Dates, golden raisins, black raisins, cashews etc.)
- **Baking soda:** 1/4 tsp
- **Baking powder:** 1/2 tsp

METHOD

- In a bowl, add 3/4 cup fresh orange juice.
- Add 2 tbsp each of golden raisins, black raisins, chopped cashews and 5 chopped dates.
- Let the nuts soak in orange juice overnight.
- Melt powdered jaggery in 1/4 cup water.
- Add coconut oil.
- Add whole wheat flour, baking soda and baking powder.
- Fold orange juice with nuts into this mixture.
- Line a baking dish with butter. Bake for 5-6 minutes.
- Cool and cut into pieces.

— Uma Murali, Coimbatore

SOUND BOARD

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From finding a job during the pandemic, simplifying financial jargons to covering basic information on investments and savings, Popcorn Finance aims to channel your feelings about money in the right direction.
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POPULAR ON YOUTUBE

PATAKI

Young Surya holds Agni, his father and DGP, responsible for his mother and sister's deaths. Years later, he becomes a corrupt IPS officer and decides to take revenge against his father.
- Cast: Ganesh, Ashish Vidyarthi, Sai Kumar

SAARATHI

Rukmini is forcefully taken hostage by her enemy, Pratap, who wants to marry her. When Raja, her lover and a rickshaw driver by profession, finds out, he sets out for her hometown to rescue her.
- Cast: Darshan, Deepa Sannidhi, Bullet Prakash

ORANGE

Radha loves Prashanth but faces family opposition and leaves home. Meanwhile, Santosh arrives at Radha's house and is welcomed as her boyfriend but later the family is shocked to know his truth.
- Cast: Ganesh, Priya Anand, Avinash

PREMALOKA

A young boy is in love with his classmate, who turns down his proposal. To impress her, he poses as a mysterious biker to make her fall in love with him.
- Cast: V Ravichandran, Juhi Chawla, Tiger Prabhakar

Scan this QR code to find out how your favourite celebs are coping with the lockdown.

WHAT'S ON TED TALKS

1 QUEST 9 – THE NATURE OF TRANSPORT

Like many parts of our society, transportation is human-made and nature-inspired. Examining seeds and birds taught us about flight. Fish and whales taught us how to fly faster. Ants are inspiring driverless cars. If we keep watching nature, can we make transport greener? Start today's Quest with a look at how the bullet train is based on a bird.

2 POLYGON SONG

Shapes are all around us. Shapes help us to construct strong buildings or design fun toys. Understanding the special features of shapes can help us to better use shapes in our everyday lives. Understanding different kinds of shapes can help you better understand patterns and how to create and design objects. Let's take a peek at this video to learn what makes a shape a polygon!

3 CLIMATE JUSTICE CAN'T HAPPEN WITHOUT SOCIAL JUSTICE BY DAVID LAMMY

In a stirring talk about building a new movement to care for the planet, Member of Parliament for Tottenham, England, David Lammy calls for inclusion and support of Black and minority leadership on climate issues and a global recognition.

4 3 WAYS COMPANIES CAN SUPPORT GRIEVING EMPLOYEES BY TILAK MANDADI

When we experience loss, grief travels with us everywhere – even work. What can companies do to support grieving employees? Sharing his own story of heartbreak, Tilak Mandadi offers three ways organisations can cultivate a culture of workplace empathy, creating an environment that encourages community, productivity and joy.

5 HOW BURNOUT MAKES US LESS CREATIVE BY RAHAF HARFOUSH

Our obsession with productivity – to-do lists, life hacks, morning routines – is making us less productive, says digital anthropologist Rahaf Harfoush. She explains why we need to redesign our workday around creativity – not just efficiency.

FIT BIT

KAPALBHATI PRANAYAMA

(SKULL SHINING BREATH)

In Sanskrit, 'Kapal' means 'skull', 'bhati' means 'illuminating' or 'shining, 'prana' means 'vital life force', 'yama' means 'control', and 'ayama' means 'extension'. The brain and all parts of the skull are cleansed through short but strong exhalations. There are three different types of Kapalbhati – Vatakrama, Vyutkrama and Sheetkrama. Vatakrama is passive inhalation and active exhalation cleanses the internal organs, energises the nervous and circulatory systems, and improves metabolism. Many yogis practise this technique in order to clear the Nadis. According to Hatha Yoga practitioners, this technique cleanses the body of all impurities. Advanced yogis may practice this pranayama while incorporating the three bandhas.

STEPS

- Sit on a hard surface with your spine erect to start with the process of this pranayama.
- You can either sit in Sukhasana (your legs crossed), Virasana (your legs bent and your shins tucked under your thighs or on a chair) while performing this Pranayama.
- Place your hands on your knees with the palms facing up or you can place your hands one over the other in your lap for higher focus.
- Inhale through both the nostrils.
- Exhale with a little forceful action and again breathe in.
- You can put your hand on your lower abdomen to feel the air gushing out of the body.
- Repeat the process for 20 minutes.

BENEFITS

- Generates heat in your body, dissolving toxins and other waste matter.
- Improves functioning of the kidneys and liver.
- Removes stress from the eyes.
- Enhances blood circulation and digestion.
- Increases metabolic rate, aids weight loss.
- Stimulates abdominal organs.
- Calms you and uplifts your mind.
- Gives you a sense of balance and sensibility.
- Eliminates acidity and gas-related problems.
- Strengthens your lungs and increases their capacity and makes your face glow radiantly.
- Improves memory and concentration power.
- Clears and activates the chakras in your body. It cures asthma and sinus.
- Keeps depression at bay.

LIMITATIONS

- People with heart disease, hernia, gastric issues, or severe condition regarding blood pressure should avoid this.
- Heart patients should go with slow exhaling.
- Practising in the mornings on an empty stomach is advisable. People with high blood pressure should reduce their rate of Kapalbhati.
- Pregnant or menstruating women should avoid this.

– by N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

ONDU SHIKARIYA KATHE (Kannada)

A series of mysterious events befall a famous non-violent novelist when he takes up a gun and goes on the hunt.

Cast: Pramod Shetty, Siri Prahalad, Abhimanyu Prajwal
- Watch on: Amazon Prime

ISHQ (Malayalam)

Sachi and Vasudha, a young couple, are mentally and physically harassed by two men while on a road trip. However, the situation puts their love to the test, making them go their separate ways.

Cast: Ann Sheetal, Shane Nigam, Leona Lishoy, Shine Tom Chacko
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

PANNAIYARUM PADMINIYUM (Tamil)

Pannaiyar, a landlord, agrees to take care of his friend's car while the latter is away. However, he and his family soon become emotionally attached to it and cannot bear the idea of returning it.

Cast: Aishwarya Rajesh, Vijay Sethupathi, Jaya Prakash, Tulasi, Neelima Rani
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

CHAMAK (Kannada)

Kush, a gynaecologist and playboy, reluctantly marries Kushi. However, things take a drastic turn when they both start getting to know each other and uncover the lies they fed one another.

Cast: Ganesh, Rashmika Mandanna, Sumithra, Sadhu Kokila
- Watch: Disney+Hotstar

KUCH BHEEGE ALFAAZ (Hindi)

Alfaz, a popular but anonymous RJ, crosses paths with Archana, a lively woman suffering from vitiligo. They begin talking over the phone after Archana dials a wrong number and form an unlikely bond.

Cast: Zain Khan Durrani, Geethanjali Thapa, Shray Rai Tiwari, Saheb Bhattacharya, Mona Ambegaonkar
- Watch on: Netflix

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

MADRAS (Tamil)

A wall creates discord between two factions of a political party. Kaali and his friend Anbu, who is a political aspirant, get embroiled in the brutal political rivalry.

Cast: Karthi, Catherine Tresa, Riythvika, Kalaiyarasan Harikrishnan
- Watch: Disney+Hotstar

CHOPSTICKS (Hindi)

A gifted but insecure woman has a transformational experience when she asks a con man to help recover her stolen car.

Cast: Mithila Palkar, Abhay Deol, Vijay Raaz, Achint Kaur, Benafsha Soonawala
- Watch on: Netflix

FOREIGN

BLISS (English)

An unfulfilled man and a mysterious woman believe they are living in a simulated reality, but when their newfound "Bliss" world begins to bleed into the "ugly" world, they must decide what's real and where they truly belong.

Cast: Salma Hayek, Owen Wilson, Bill Nye, Madeline Zima, Nesta Cooper
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

NEWS OF THE WORLD (English)

Five years after the end of the Civil War, Capt. Jefferson Kyle Kidd crosses paths with a 10-year-old girl taken by the Kiowa people. Forced to return to her aunt and uncle, Kidd agrees to escort the child across the harsh and unforgiving plains of Texas. However, the long journey soon turns into a fight for survival as the traveling companions encounter danger at every turn – both human and natural.

Cast: Tom Hanks, Helena Zengel, Neil Sandilands, Elizabeth Marvel
- Watch on: Netflix

THE MAP OF TINY PERFECT THINGS (English)

Two teens who live the same day repeatedly, enabling them to create the titular map.

Cast: Kathryn Newton, Kyle Allen, Jermaine Harris
- Watch on: Amazon Prime Video

SQUARED LOVE (Polish)

A celebrity journalist and renowned womanizer starts to rethink his life choices after he falls for a mysterious model who leads a double life.

Cast: Mateusz Banasiuk, Adrianna Chlebicka, Agnieszka Żulewska, Krzysztof Czeczot
- Watch on: Netflix

SUBSCRIPTION

Netflix: ₹ 199 per month
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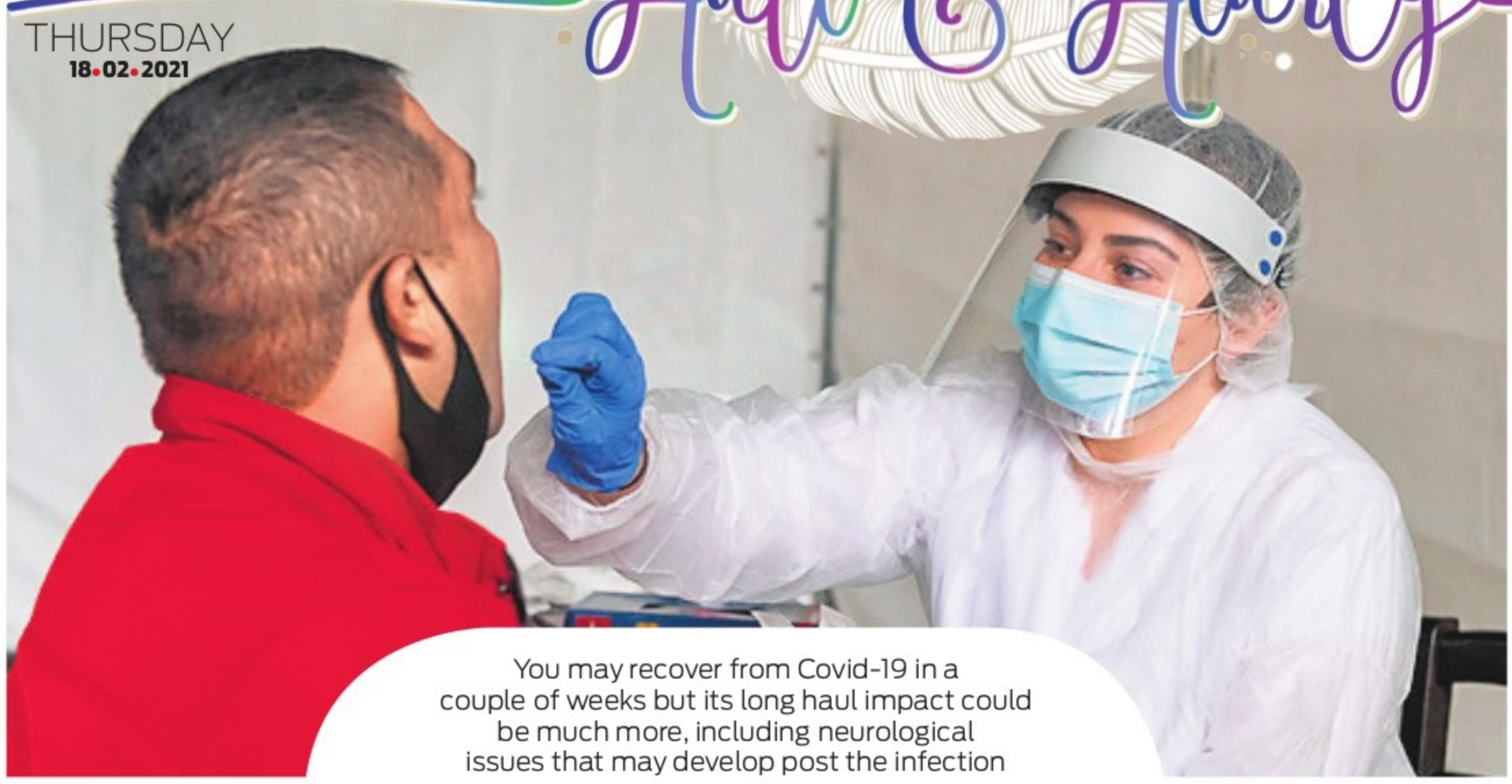


You may recover from Covid-19 in a couple of weeks but its long haul impact could be much more, including neurological issues that may develop post the infection

AFTER THE STORM

DR AMRITA SINGH

Millions of people in India have been victims of Covid-19. It is taking a toll on patients' mental health and damaging their respiratory systems, and causing mortality. The primary manifestation of Covid-19 is respiratory and cardiac, but neurological disorders are also being reported post suffering from coronavirus, between the period of 14 and 90 days.

Symptoms to be observed post Covid-19

In a rare complication, a few patients infected with Covid-19 have been found suffering from a rare autoimmune disorder called Guillain Barre Syndrome (GBS). The other most common symptoms are headache, dizziness, encephalopathy and delirium. Other complications such as cerebrovascular accident, acute transverse myelitis (an inflammation of the spinal cord) and acute encephalitis (inflammation of the brain) have also been observed among Covid recovered patients. Hyposmia (decreased ability to detect smell) is the most common peripheral manifestation followed by insomnia, dementia and anxiety.

Sometimes the neurological manifestations can precede typical features like fever and cough, and later typical respiratory or cardiac manifestations develop in these patients. People can also watch out for symptoms like tingling or itching sensation in the skin, followed by muscle weakness, pain and numbness in feet and hands.

Hence it is imperative to have a timely diagnosis to prevent the spread of infection to your brain.

The coronavirus can attach, multiply and damage the neuronal tissue. Hypoxic brain injury and immune mediated injury are neuropathological mechanisms of CNS damage. Understanding neurologic disease in patients with Covid-19 is evolving, and doctors should continue to monitor patients closely for neurological disease. Early detection of neurological problems shall lead to improved clinical outcomes. Further laboratory and clinical data, including CSF analysis, brain imaging, and tests for CNS tissue, will be essential in elucidating the pathophysiology and potential for CNS injury.

(The author is chief of lab services, Neuberg Diagnostics)

Aching for relief

DR RAJALAKSHMI

When we think of pain and ways to treat it, we need to keep in mind that it need not necessarily be treated by injections or other invasive methods. There are a host of non-invasive procedures that one can opt for, including physical therapy like ultrasound healing, braces or taping and electrical simulation, hot or cold treatment, chiropractic treatment, transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation, exercises, therapeutic massages and calming techniques. These techniques can be used for both chronic and acute pain.

Ultrasound healing is proven to be a pain management therapy for patients suffering from osteoarthritis, strains and sprains. It employs sound waves that cause microscopic vibrations in deep tissue, which causes heat and friction that promotes healing. Brace and taping are typically used in situations where rehabilitation of an injury is required. It reduces pain and helps the patient rejuvenate sooner. There are many kinds of taping and braces, including rigid taping, elastic stretchy taping and support braces or devices that restrict movement and provide more support, respectively. Electrical stimulation is a pain management technique that uses electricity to reduce pain in which electrodes are used to send small electrical impulses to the affected areas and relieve pain. It can be used in cancer related pain, migraines and tension related headaches. However more research needs to be done in electrical stimulation therapy as it is not a proven therapy for pain relief.

In cases of arthritis, muscle soreness, etc, hot or cold treatment can be used. While hot therapy improves circulation and blood flow to relax and soothe muscles and heal damaged tissues, cold therapy works by reducing blood flow to a particular area and can reduce swelling that causes pain around a joint or swelling. It is important to know when to use hot and cold therapies. Hot works best for joint stiffness while cold is effective for swelling.

Chiropractic treatment is primarily used as a pain relief alternative for muscles, joints, bone and connective tissues through hands-on manipulation using a sudden force to improve range and quality of motion. There are also a range of exercises that can help remove strain from joints. Back injuries, spinal arthritis, joints and muscles are some of the areas where aquatic therapy can be effective. Practices such as Tai Chi and yoga can enhance relaxation with deep breathing and gentle movements.

Therapeutic massages improve blood flow to muscle, ligament and bones. These massages can help ease pain by working on tension in muscles and joints, relieving stress and anxiety and causing distraction from pain. Meditation and music therapy are some of the other non-invasive pain management therapies. Music helps soothe nerves and has an indirect effect to relieve pain.

Pain affects different people in different ways and most of the therapies mentioned above have proven to be effective. Consult your physician before starting any pain management therapy to avoid possible complications.

(The author is senior consultant anaesthetist, Specialist Hospital, Bengaluru)

NUGGETS

Healthy lifestyle may improve cholesterol

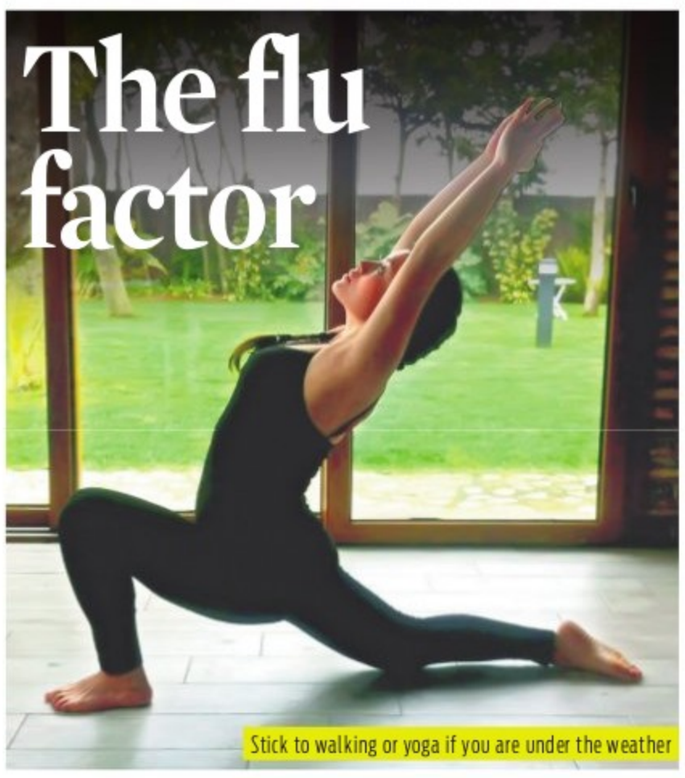
A study, published in the journal eLife, indicated that combining cholesterol-lowering medications and lifestyle interventions may yield benefits to heart health. Cholesterol-lowering medications such as statins help reduce heart risks by lowering levels of low-density lipoprotein (LDL) cholesterol or "bad" cholesterol. Exercising regularly, healthy diet, lowerring alcohol consumption and maintaining a healthy weight, have also been shown to lower LDL. - IANS

Drinks up premature heart disease in youth

Drinking, smoking and drug use is linked to premature heart disease in young people, particularly among younger women, a new study suggests. The study, published in the journal Heart, suggests that those who regularly use 4 or more substances are 9 times as likely to be affected. The researcher pointed out that use of cocaine and methamphetamine have been associated with faster cell ageing. - IANS

GET MOVING
Shwetambari Shetty

The flu factor



Stick to walking or yoga if you are under the weather

Exercising regularly helps you stay healthy and fit. It improves your immune system, which, in turn, helps you fight the flu and other illnesses. But if you are feeling some symptoms of flu, it's best to avoid the regular high intensity exercises and choose just walking or easy cycling. Your white blood cells are known to fight infections and sometimes with too much exercise, these can reduce, doing you more harm than good.

If you're running a fever, you should not work out. The energy needed by your immune system to fight off bacterial infections will be compromised if you exercise because the activity will utilise a lot of energy. You will be left feeling exhausted, with weaker immunity and a flu that lasts longer. Instead rest for two to four days and let your body recover.

Each person's response to illness is variable. So after a flu, your first workout back should be light so you don't get out of breath, and you want to progress slowly without having a relapse. It will be best to start with walking. Start with doing so around the house, try 6,000 steps and step it up the following days based on how your body feels. If you experience any kind of exhaustion, choose to skip the next day. Then start with cardio. When you feel ready to take it up a notch, focus on cardio first and save strength work for later.

Lastly, try to eat foods that can boost your immunity, and consume warm food.

(The author is a fitness expert with Cure.Fit)

WORKING IT OUT

Low-intensity activities to take up in when you're sick

- Walking
- Jogging
- Cycling
- Yoga

ACTIVITIES TO AVOID

- Heavy strength training
- High intensity interval training
- Sports
- Stay out of the gym as flu is contagious

To skip or not to skip?

A guide to whether or not you should exercise is 'the neck test', says Dr Deepak Patel, principal clinical specialist at Discovery Vitality. If your symptoms are from the neck up, do low to moderate intensity exercise. If you feel exhausted after you've exercised, skip the next two to three days. If your symptoms are below the neck (a deep chest cough or a fever), take a break from exercise until your fever subsides. It's best to stop exercising while you're sick until about a week after recovering.

SOULFUL

SEEKING SECURITY

There is a difference between security and stability. It is the monkey, which we said yesterday, which is this everlasting me with its thoughts, with its problems, with its anxieties, fears and so on, this restless thought, monkey, is always seeking security, because it is afraid to be uncertain, uncertain in its activity, in its thoughts, in its relationship - it wants everything mechanical, which is, security. So it translates security in terms of mechanical certainty. I don't know if you follow all this.

Now, is stability different, not opposite, entirely different, different dimension from security? We have to understand this. A mind that is restless, and seeking in that restlessness security, can never find stability, to be stable. Firm - it is not that, firm is not the word - to be, you know, unshakeable, immovable, and yet it has the quality of great mobility. And the mind that is seeking security cannot be, cannot be stable in the sense, mobile, swift and yet immensely immovable. You see the difference? Now which is it you are doing, you, not the speaker - which is it you are doing in your life, in your everyday life - is thought the monkey, seeking in its restlessness, security and not finding it in one direction, it goes off in another direction, which is the movement of restlessness. And in this restlessness, it wants to find security. You see the point of this? Therefore it can never find it. It can say, well, there is god which is still the invention of thought, the image of thought, the image brought about through centuries of conditioning, of propaganda as thought, conditioned, in the Communist world says, there is no such thing, don't be absurd. Which is equally conditioned.

So what is it that you are doing? Seeking security in your restlessness? You know, security is one of the most curious things, the desire to be secure. And that security must be recognised by the world. You understand - I don't know if you see this. I write a book and I find in the book my security. But that book must be recognised by the world, otherwise there is no security. So look what I've done. My security lies in the opinion of the world: 'Oh, my books sell by the thousand.' And I have created the value of the world. I am really, in seeking security through a book, through whatever it is, depending on the world, the world which I have created, so which means I am deceiving myself constantly. Right? Oh, if you saw this!

Q: Yes, we see it.

K: So the desire for thought to be secure is the way of uncertainty, is the way of insecurity. Now, when the mind is completely attentive, in which there is no centre, what has happened to the mind that is so intensely aware – is there in it security? You understand my question? In it, is there any sense of restlessness - no, don't please agree - this is a tremendous thing to find out, because we want to go beyond this. You see, sir, most of us are seeking a solution for the misery of the world, a solution for social morality, which is immoral, we are trying to find out a way of organising society in which there will be no social injustice, where man has sought god, truth, whatever it is, through centuries, and never coming upon it, but believing in it – and when you believe in it you naturally have experiences of your belief, which are false.

– Jiddu Krishnamurti

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'POGARU WAS NOT A STORY TAILOR MADE FOR ME'

Actor Dhruva Sarja, who is dedicating the upcoming film to his late brother, Chiranjeevi Sarja, talks to CE about the preparations that went in to play a 17-year-old's character, and what makes the Nanda Kishore-directorial close to reality for him

A SHARADHAA

DHRUVA Sarja has veered off the regular route for this fourth film, *Pogaru*. Dumping his regular stylish looks, he has worked towards not looking good -- an image he has tried to carry for almost three years, since he took up this project. According to the *Addhuri, Bahaddhur,* and *Bharjari* hero, he did all this only to remain in the character that he plays in *Pogaru*. "This was not a story tailor made for me. On the other hand, I got into the character at various stages based on what was sketched by the director and what the story demanded," says Dhruva, adding that the script became the hero, and he bowed to the character.

His previous films had him engage the audience with a lot of dialogues, emotions and drama, with the makers also keeping in view the actor's opinions. "However, *Pogaru* did not give me a choice about how I should look and feel. Instead, I had to go by what the role required. There is a younger version of me, for which I had to become a 17-year-old boy. I was not asked to just look like one, but was told to be one. I initially thought of shedding 5 kg, then came to 10 kg but ended up losing 33 kg. Then, I was again asked to go on the extreme side, for which I had to put on weight. Overall, to look like a hero with messy looks was not an easy task," he explains.

Dhruva recalls that director Nanda Kishore did put all these points in front of him before they began the film. "After much thought, I was game for it, and took it up as a challenge. I was so involved in my character that I didn't want to cheat for the schoolboy look. I took it as an opportunity, and ended up embracing the transformation, which will be seen this Friday," he says.

Dhurva adds that apart from the high-octane action and all the commercial elements, *Pogaru* is a family drama at heart. "The major highlights are the mother-son bonding, the brother-sister relationship, and the hero's attachment with a girl, all told from the perspective of a youth who has a disturbed past. It talks about the impact that bad childhood experiences can have on a person while growing up, the way they shape his adult life, and its effect on his relationships," he reveals. "I have not done any make-up for this film. I didn't feel the need to apply glycerine. The emotions are real. All the little things make my character in *Pogaru very* close to reality," says Dhruva, who is dedicating this film to his late brother, Chiranjeevi Sarja.

Lily Rabe to star as female lead in *The Tender Bar*

CE FEATURES

ACTOR Lily Rabe has been roped in to play the female lead in George Clooney's upcoming Amazon movie *The Tender Bar*.

Based on author JR Moehringer's memoir of the same name, the drama also has Ben Affleck and Tye Sheridan. The book, which was published in 2005, is a coming-of-age story that follows the author, as a young boy who seeks to replace his father who abandons him. The boy develops a friendship with Uncle Charlie, who along with his friends, takes the boy to beach games, and ultimately into their circle.

Tye Sheridan will play the role of the boy in the movie, while Affleck will feature as Uncle Charlie. According to The Hollywood Reporter, Rabe will step into the role of the boy's mother, who is the main female character in the memoir.

The Tender Bar will be directed by Clooney, with a script written by Oscar-winning scribe William Monahan. Clooney will also produce the movie along with his producing partner Grant Heslov through their Smokehouse Pictures banner.

Rabe is best known for featuring in popular show *American Horror Story*. She is also a known stage artiste and had received a nomination for the Tony award for best actress in a play for her performance as Portia in *The Merchant of Venice*. The actor most recently starred in HBO's *The Undoing,* opposite Nicole Kidman and Hugh Grant.

Horror film *The Wife* to release on March 19

CE FEATURES

ZEE5'S horror film The Wife is all set for a release on March 19. Directed by debutant Sarmad Khan, the film marks actor Gurmeet Chaudhary's first solo film as a hero.

In the film, Gurmeet and actor Sayani Datta play a married couple, who move into a new apartment, only to come across a malevolent spirit. "This is my first solo lead and you'll get to see me in a whole new and different avatar. The script is so fresh, you'll find the movie to be a perfect amalgamation of spine-chilling horror, action, romance, drama," says Gurmeet. "Most horror stories tragically are quite predictable, especially for those who love this genre and can end up mostly guessing what's going to happen next. Yet, with this film, you can't know anything for sure till you've arrived at the end of it," added Gurmeet.

Speaking about his debut film, director Sarmad Khan said, "What makes The Wife unique is its urban setting and its matter-of-fact approach in presenting supernatural events." He added, "I am a huge fan of the horror genre and to be able to make my debut in one is the most exciting feeling ever. The entire experience of being a part of such a wonderful film has been a very fulfilling one indeed."

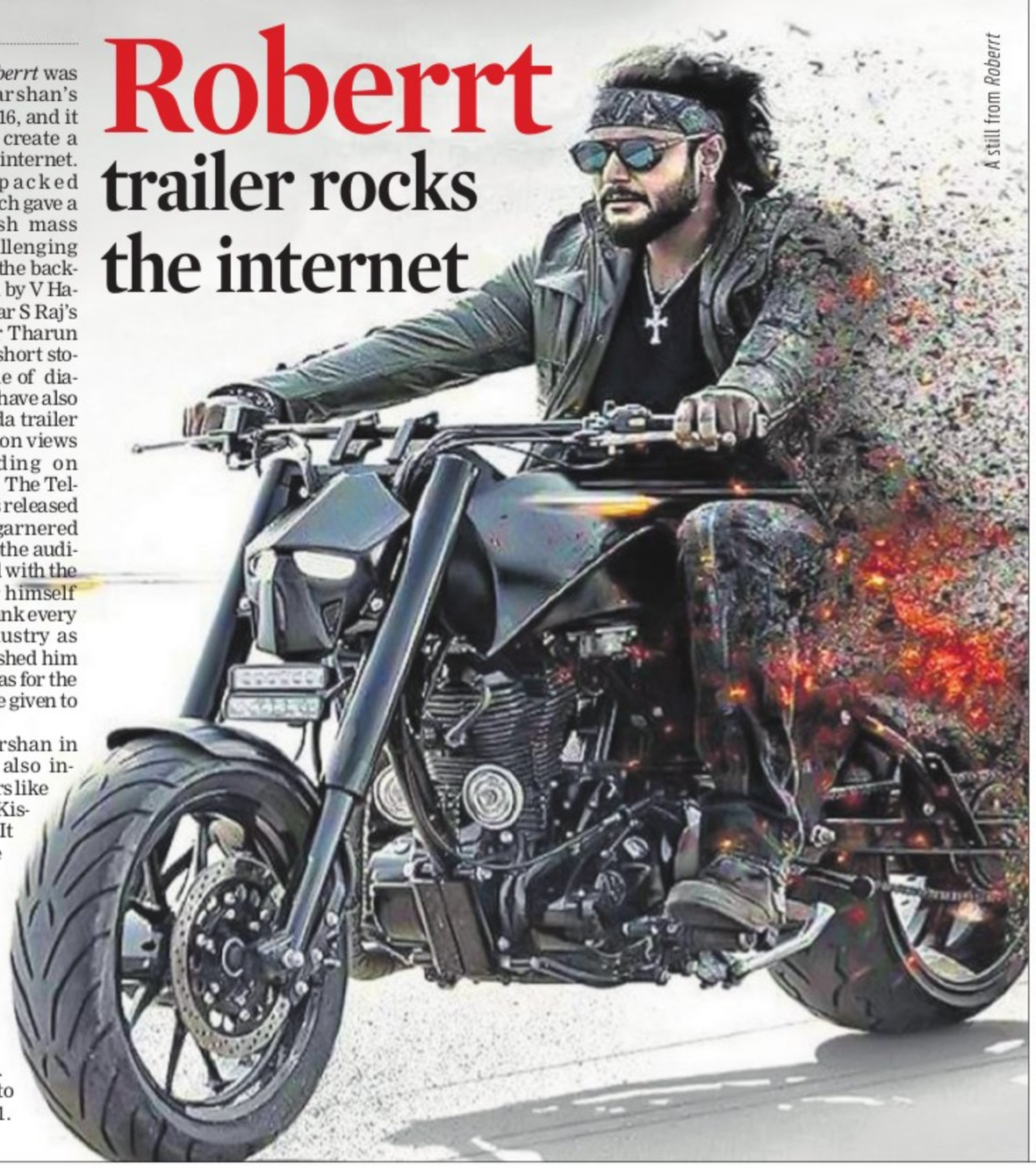
Notably, Ram Gopal Varma's 2003 horror film Bhoot, starring Ajay Devgn and Urmila Matondkar, dealt with a similar concept.

Roberrt trailer rocks the internet

CE FEATURES

THE trailer of *Roberrt* was released on Darshan's birthday on Feb 16, and it took no time to create a huge buzz on the internet. The action-packed 2.20-minute trailer, which gave a glimpse of the stylish mass character of the Challenging Star, also stood out for the background score composed by V Harikrishna, and Sudhakar S Raj's picturisation. Director Tharun Kishore Sudhir told a short story with it, and a couple of dialogues from the trailer have also gone viral. The Kannada trailer has crossed over 7 million views and has been trending on number 1 on You Tube. The Telugu version, which was released on the same day, has garnered equal attention among the audience. The team is elated with the response, and the star himself shared a message to thank every one from the film industry as well as the fans who wished him on his birthday, as well as for the overwhelming response given to the trailer.

Roberrt features Darshan in two shades. The cast also includes well-known actors like Jagapathi Babu, Ravi Kishan and Ravi Shankar. It stars Asha Bhat as the heroine, while Vinod Prabhakar, Sonal Monteiro and Aishwarya Prasad will be seen in significant roles too. The film is bankrolled by Umapathy S Gowda, and has music compositions by Arjun Janya. The film is scheduled to be released on March 11.



A still from *Roberrt*

Bridgerton's Rege Jean Page on board *Dungeons and Dragons*

CE FEATURES

ACTOR Regé-Jean Page, who is known for starring in Bridgerton, has reportedly joined the cast of Dungeons and Dragons film.

Page will star alongside Chris Pine, Michelle Rodriguez, and Justice Smith, in the movie directed by Jonathan Goldstein and John Francis Daley (Spider-Man: Homecoming, Game Night) The director duo is also writing the recent version of the script, which is based on a draft by Michael Gilio.

Dungeons & Dragons was first adapted into a film in 2000. The film, which starred Justin Whalin, Marlon Wayans, and Jeremy Irons, was a flop.

NO STRINGS ATTACHED

SHILAJIT MITRA

ACTORS Anmol Thakeria Dhillon and Jhataleka Malhotra are making their Bollywood debut in *Tuesdays & Fridays*. The film is about a couple who, unable to commit full-time, decide to date on select days in the week. But love's rarely that simple (or complex?), and they're soon forced to make a choice. Releasing on February 19, the romantic comedy is written and directed by Taranveer Singh and produced by Sanjay Leela Bhansali.

Anmol is the son of veteran actor Poonam Dhillon and producer Ashok Thakaria. Despite his background, Anmol says he wasn't inclined to join the movies from the start. That changed when he developed a film interest in his teens and began training. He workshopped with Anupam Kher and Neeraj Kabi, while auditioning for various films. "It happened quite organically for me," Anmol says. "I knew I had to face rejections and make it on my own. The only advice my parents gave me was to put in the hard work and be patient."

While Anmol was plodding, Jhataleka had already broken out as a model and pageant winner (she was crowned Femina Miss India International in 2014 and also won for Best National Costume). Movies, however, were still a long shot. "It's assumed that a pageant career makes for a natural foray into acting," Jhataleka says. "But that wasn't the case. I had to work from scratch and prove myself. There were many rounds of auditions and meetings. At times, my self-confidence would take a dip. It was a challenging process, but I decided to stick it out."

Asked about her toughest moment on set, Jhataleka says it was the first big dance number they shot. "Though I can dance relatively well, I didn't know the technicalities involved. To make it worse, I was wearing heels." Somehow, she managed, and had Anmol backing her up. "We were lucky to take this step hand in hand," Anmol says. "Not many two actors have the same journey from start to finish, at least on their first film. So it's been pleasant doing this together."

The script of Tuesdays & Fridays went through many revisions. Taranveer had previously assisted on Bollywood films like Jhootha Hi Saahi and Karthik Calling Karthik. In 2013, he was working on Ayan Mukherji's *Yeh Jawaani Hai Deewani* when he resolved to make his first film. Having grown up on Bollywood and Hollywood romcoms, he wanted to attempt something simple and familiar. "I had loved films like *Hum Tum* (2004) and *Salaam Namaste* (2005)," the director shares. "Later on came a phase when no one was making these NRI romcoms anymore. I wanted to revisit that style of filmmaking while adding a bitter pill of reality to it."

Taranveer agrees Bollywood is yet to embrace the concept of open relationships. The couple in his film is free to see other people on other days. "Just don't get caught on Tuesdays and Fridays," Jhataleka warns Anmol in the trailer. Taranveer clarifies it's only a start, since the film is more about how this individual couple comes together. "It's about how every relationship needs work and we must all make space for our partners. That's why I didn't put the term 'open relationships' in the synopsis. Someday, perhaps, I'll make a film that deals with the subject more directly."

"It's ultimately a choice," Jhataleka adds. "There are people in open relationships and that's fine if it works for them."

The trio confesses they didn't expect Sanjay Leela Bhansali to back the project. "My film doesn't have big places and pillars," Taranveer recalls thinking when he got the call. To their relief, Sanjay was all in, assigning a sizable budget to three newcomers to shoot a film in London. Beyond that, he did not bear down on modern production. "Sanjay sir came to set just for one day," Taranveer shares. "He stayed for 15 minutes, said the boy and girl are looking good, and left."